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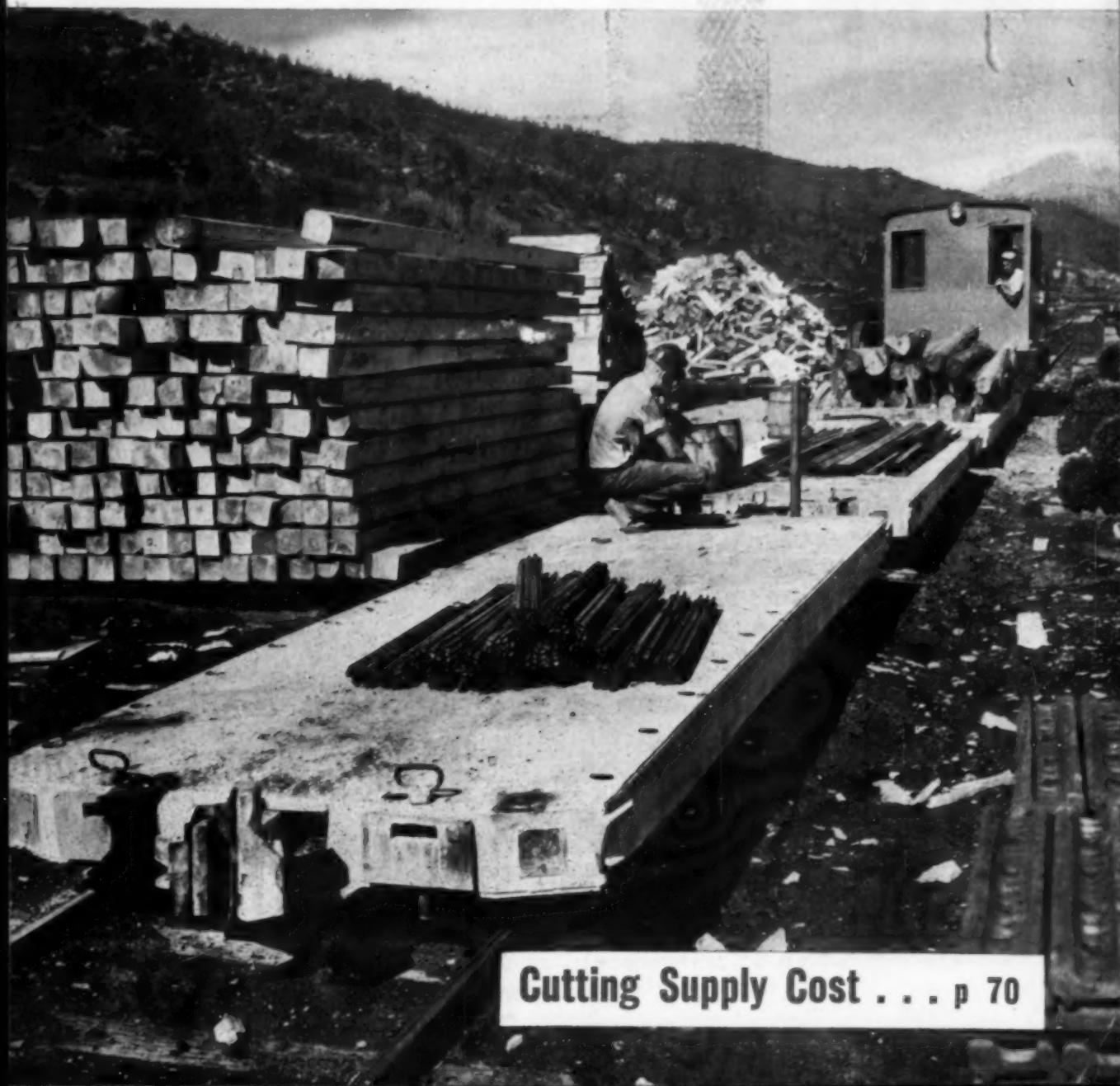
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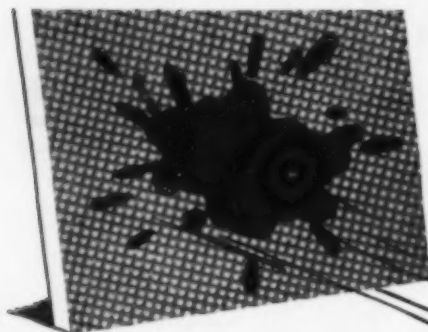
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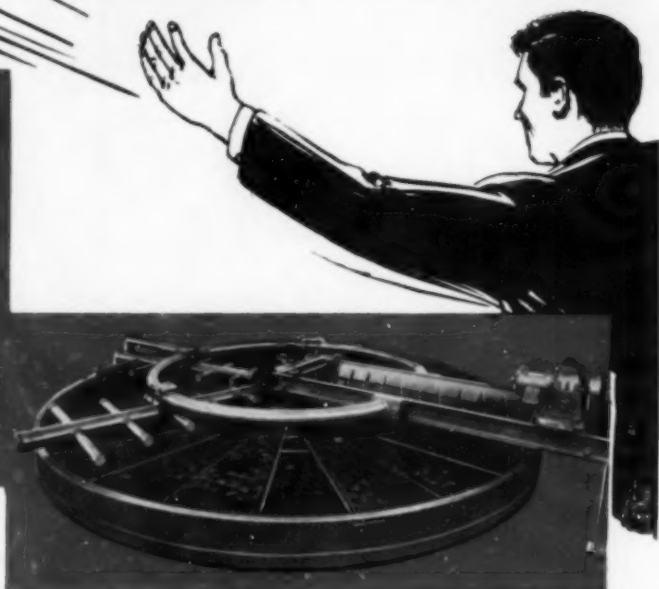
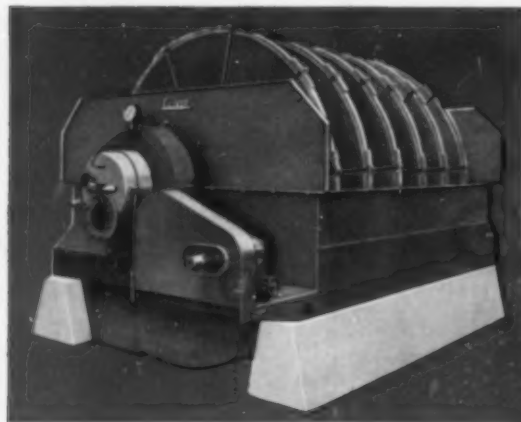


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The Peabody Suggestion System, one of the methods the company uses to encourage employee participation, will be described in detail in October *Coal Age*, including why it was inaugurated, how it works, and typical results. Peabody is one of the very few companies mining coal that have developed a successful employee suggestion system.

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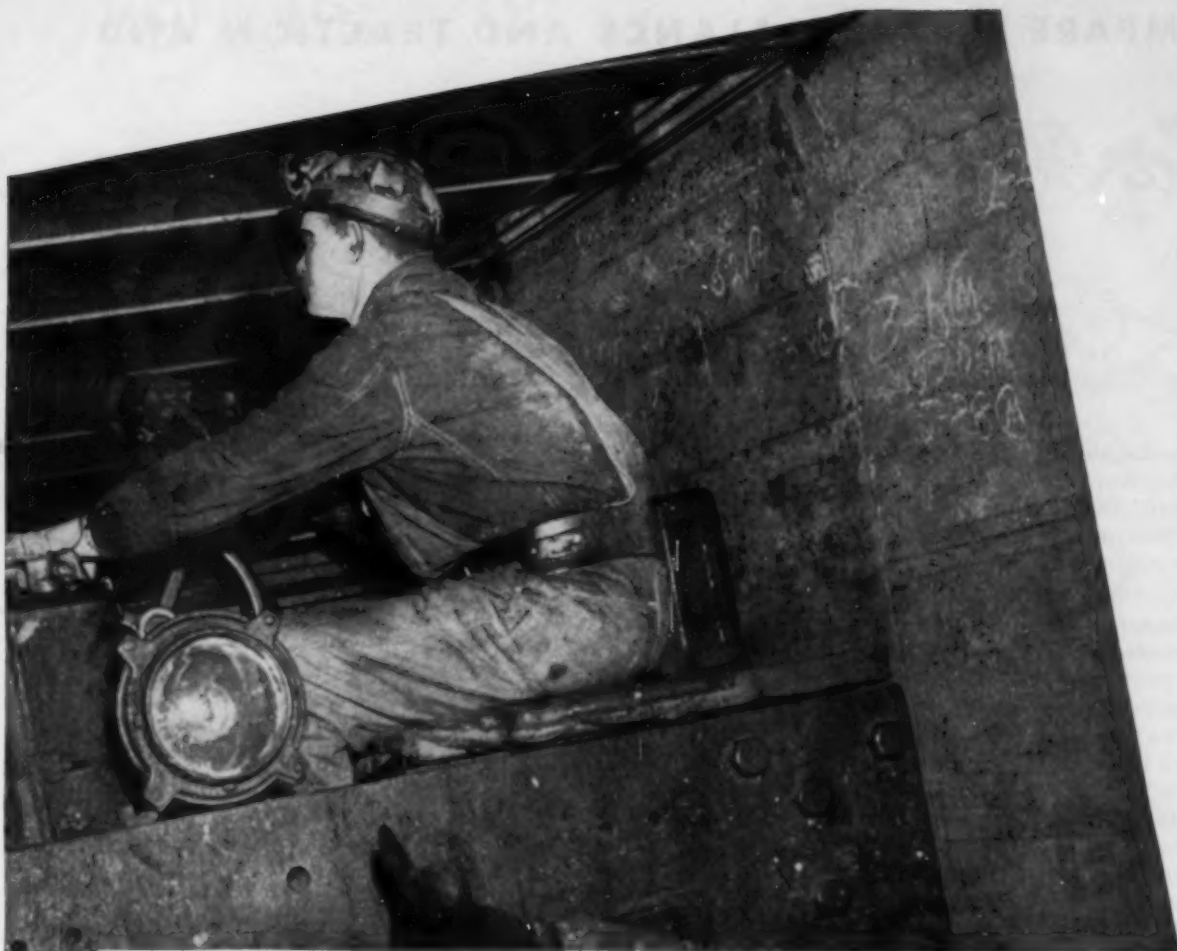
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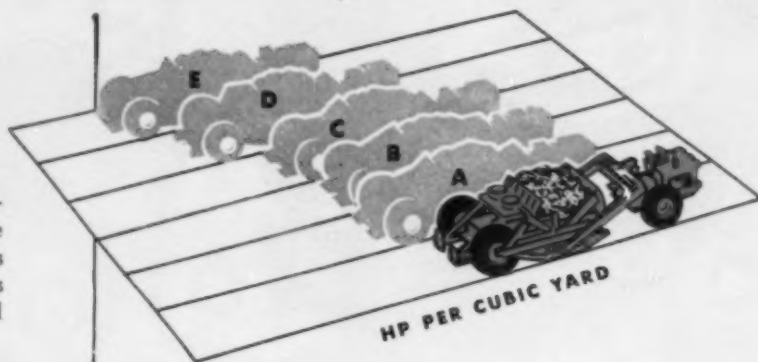
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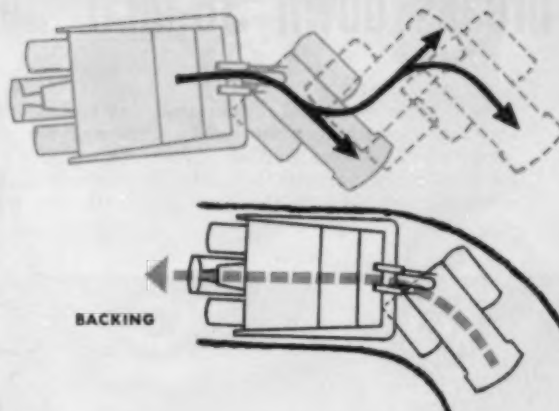
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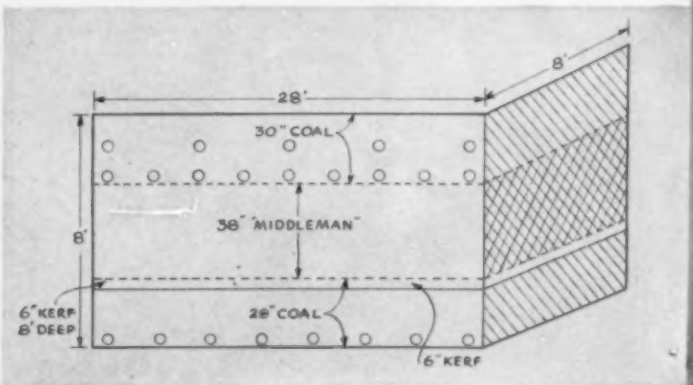
**1. All holes charged, foreman makes final inspection just before shot. Here's the heavy 38" 'middleman' that must be broken down and fractured so that loading machines can handle it without delay.**



**2. Typical fall of coal in mine shows how "Monobel" AA breaks down both coal and "middleman." And thanks to its slow spreading action, this permissible shears the back and ribs, and breaks the coal loose from the bottom.**



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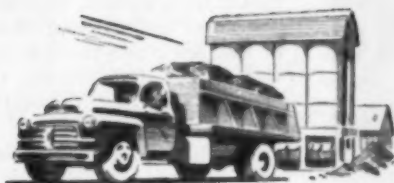
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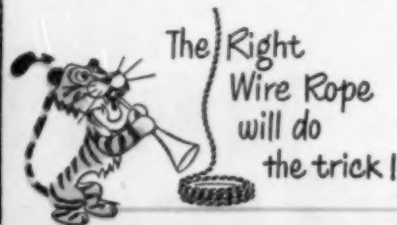
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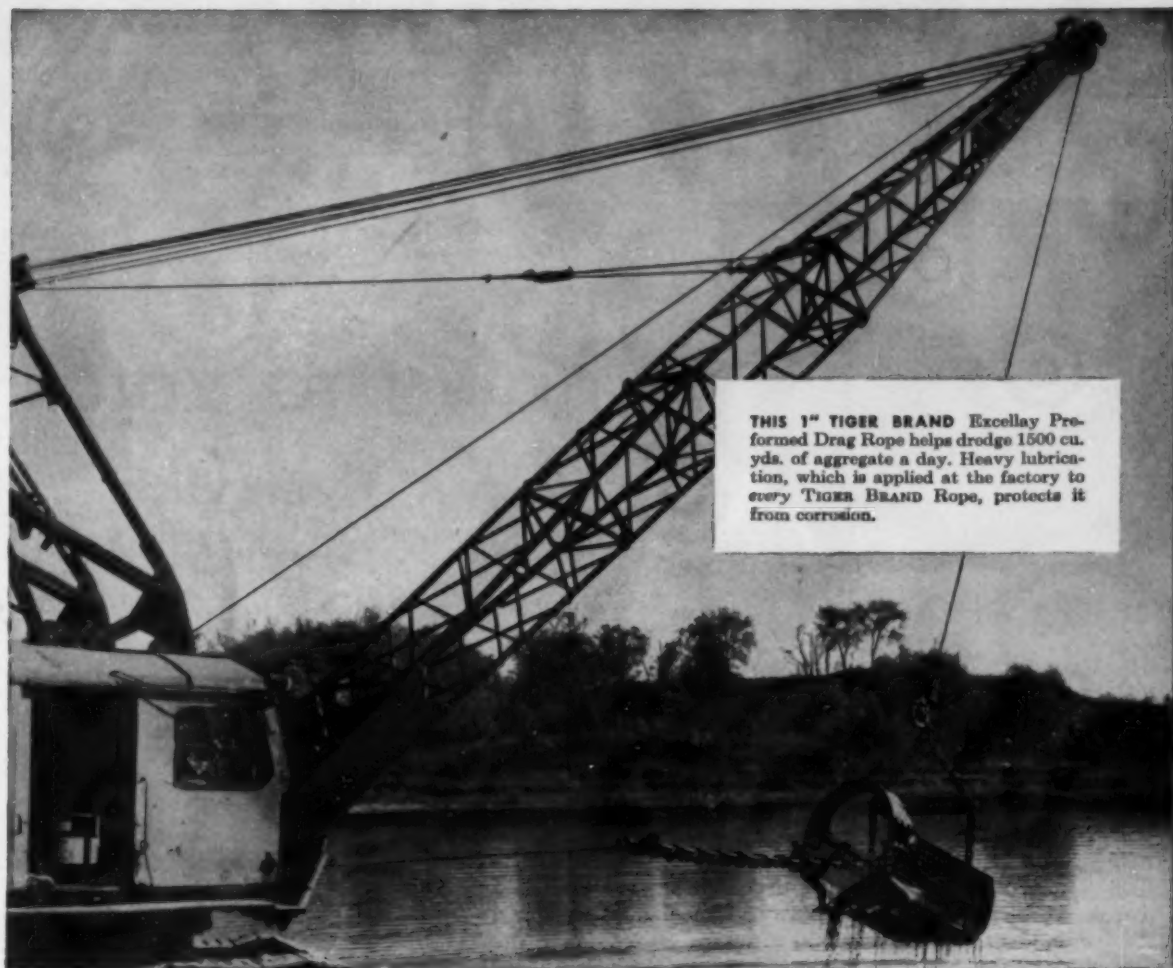
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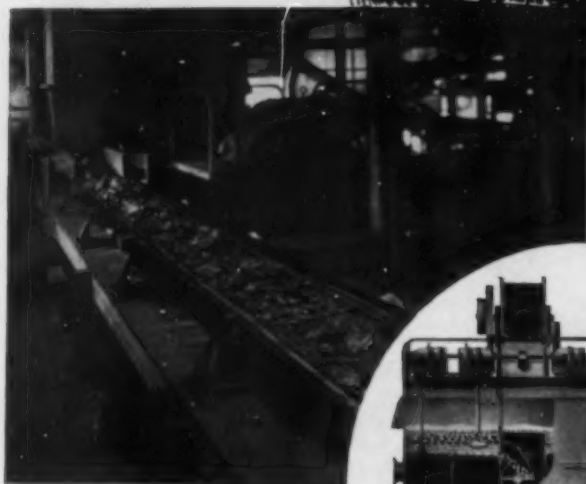
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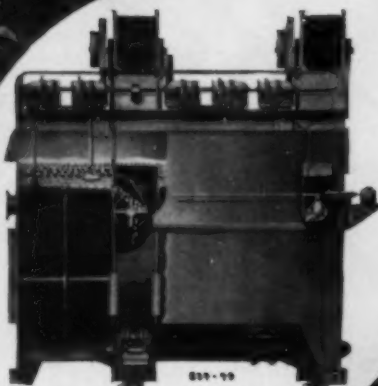


UNITED STATES STEEL

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Center: This two-compartment, five-cell Jeffrey Baum jig is the heart of Sycamore's coal preparation system.

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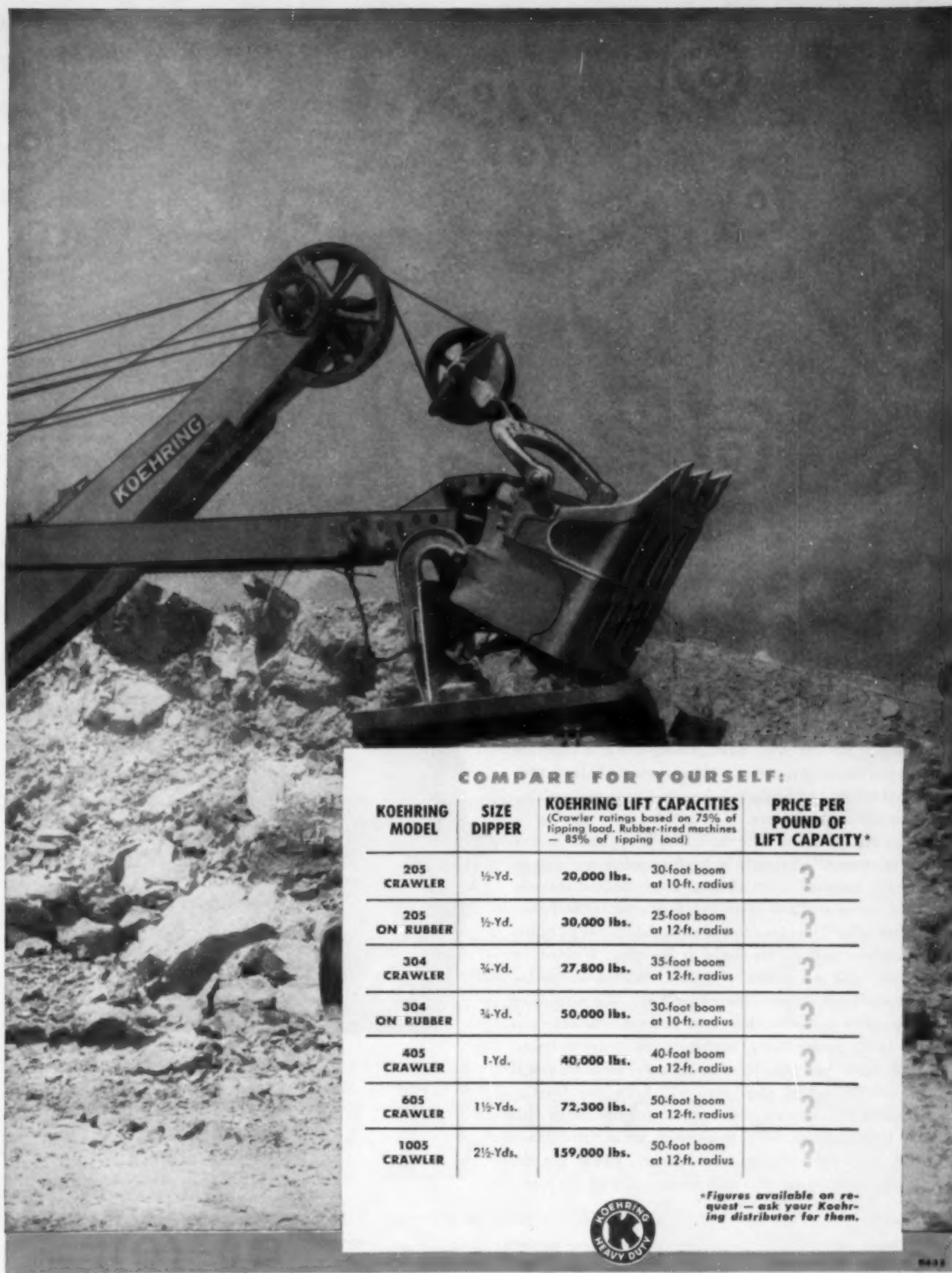
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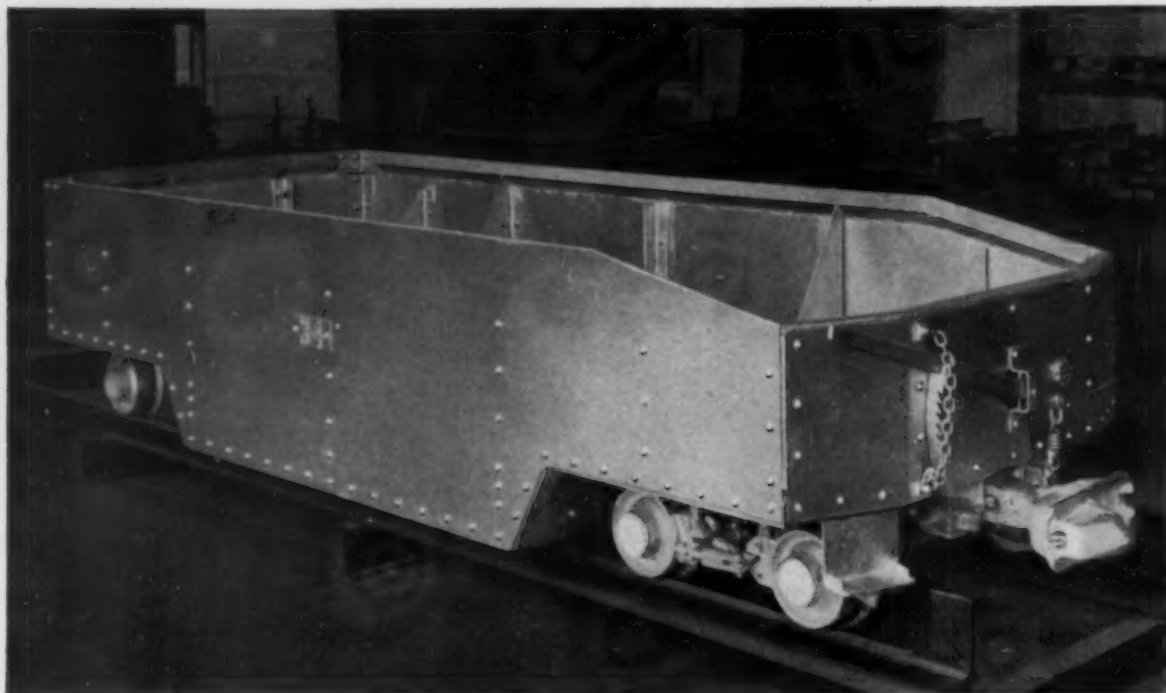


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1005 CRAWLER	2½-Yds.	159,000 lbs.	50-foot boom at 12-ft. radius	?



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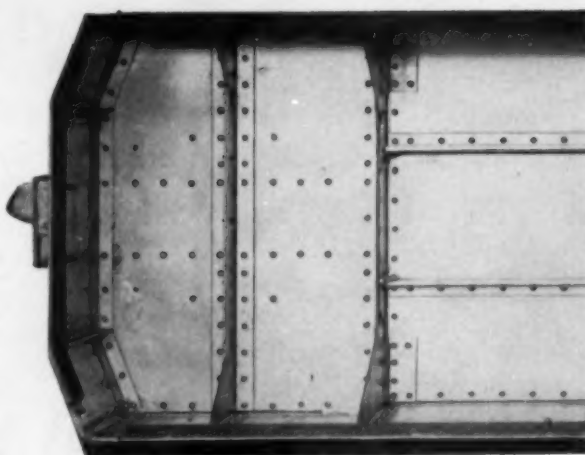
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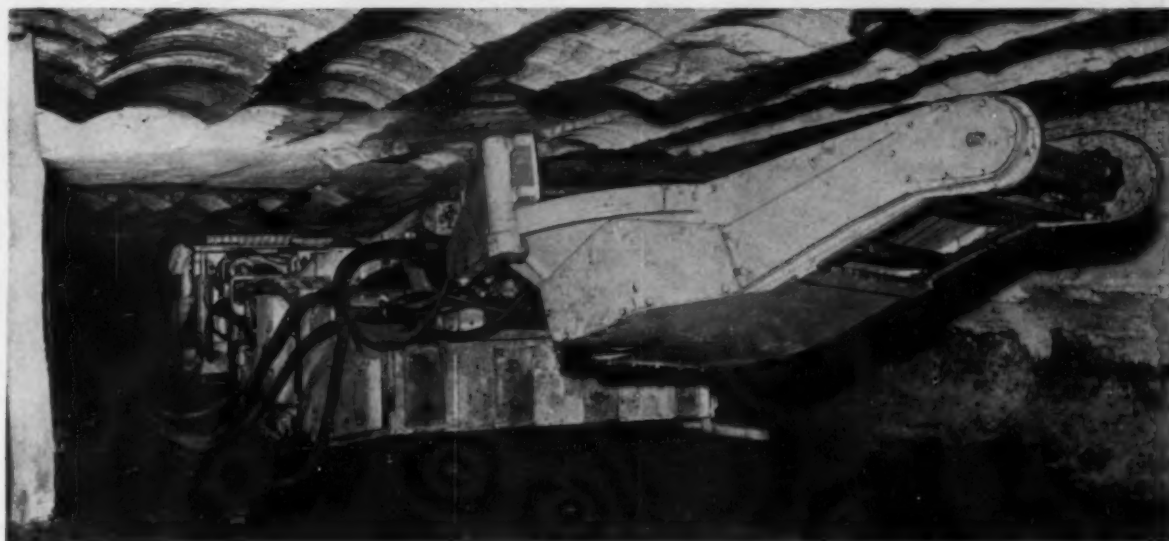


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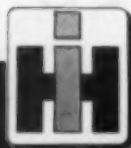
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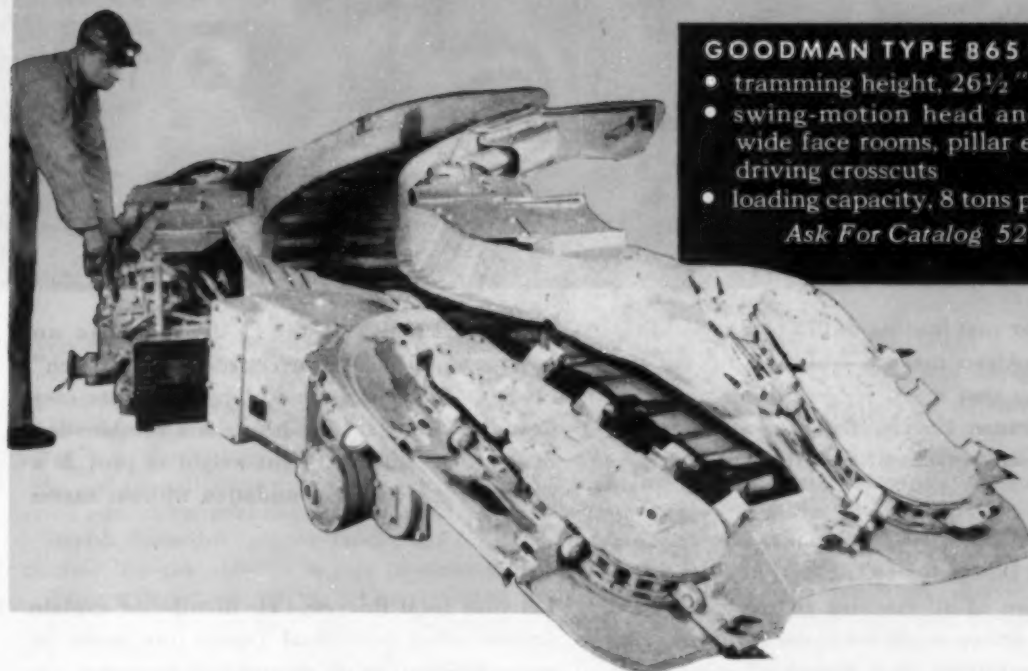
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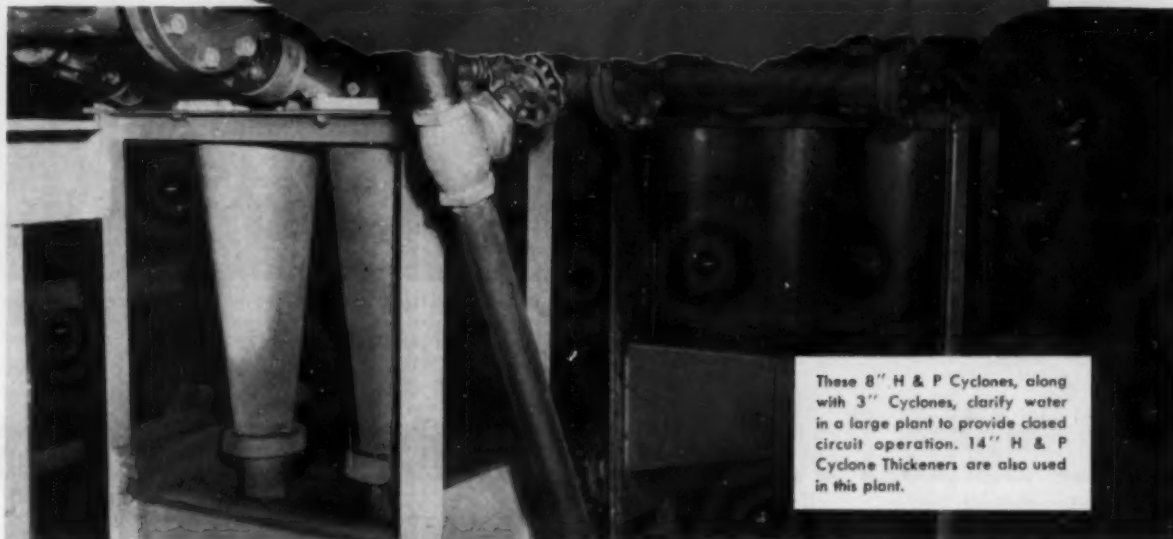
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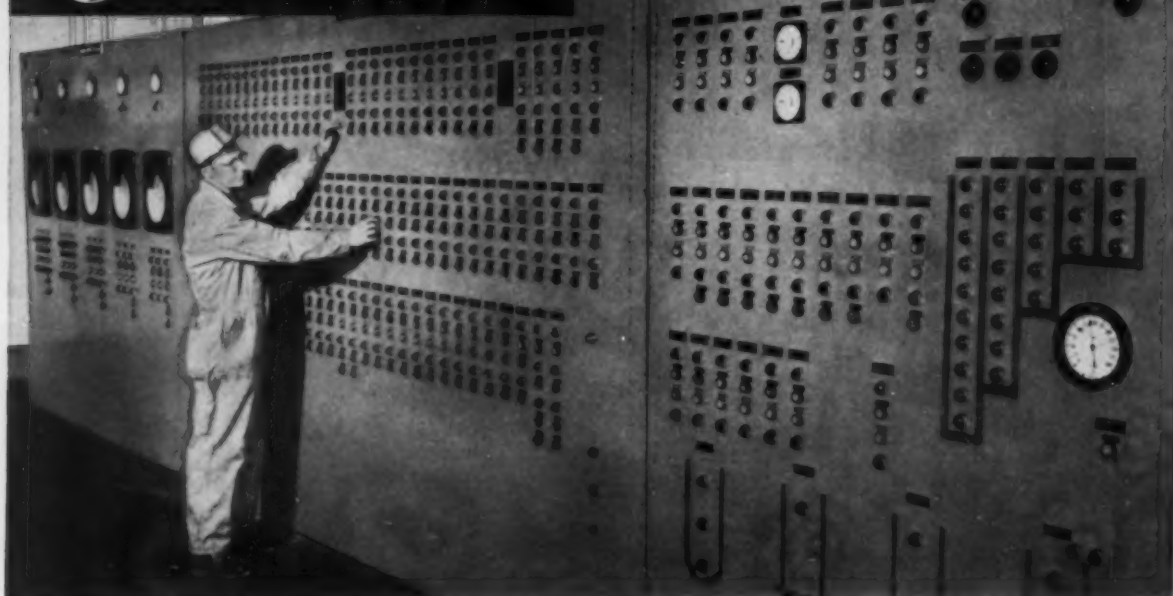
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**NERVE CENTER** of coal plant operation is this G-E master control board. Operator can start, stop all units from this board, and has visual indication that all units are running,

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# G.E. helps Pocahontas reduce per ton costs

**General Electric engineering services a key factor in Pocahontas's expansion plans to increase tonnage capacity, cut per ton costs**

Pocahontas Fuel Company, Incorporated, has completed the second of two modern preparation plants designed to expand its tonnage capacity and reduce its per ton production costs. The first was at Itmann, W. Va., and the second is at Amonate, Va.—both utilized General Electric engineering services and equipment.

Working closely with Fairmont Machinery Company and West Virginia Electric Corporation, the contractors, G-E engineers helped in the design and installation of the electrical systems in the newly modernized heavy media section and the new fine section of the coal plant at Amonate. The plant is now producing more than 8000 tons a day in two eight-hour shifts.

*The modernization and expansion at Amonate was handled on a project basis, from planning stage to completion. G.E. co-ordinated the selection, manufacture, and delivery of all required electrical com-*

*ponents, to assure that the right equipment arrived at the right time.*

First, a sales engineer focused the engineering resources of the General Electric organization on specific Pocahontas problems. G-E application engineers, assisted by product specialists, selected the right equipment to work together as an electrical system saving valuable time for Pocahontas engineers.

Pocahontas and Fairmont Machinery were kept regularly informed of production progress on electrical equipment. Care was taken to deliver components in the right order and at the right time so installation crews worked at top efficiency.

*G-E field service engineers were available at Amonate to help supervise installations and check operation of the plant. They are available now, on short notice, for any further assistance needed.*





**EASY-TO-INSTALL** G-E Cabinetrol\* panel gives neat, centralized control at Amonate plant. Units were delivered assembled and wired to cut installation time.

## at Amonate plant

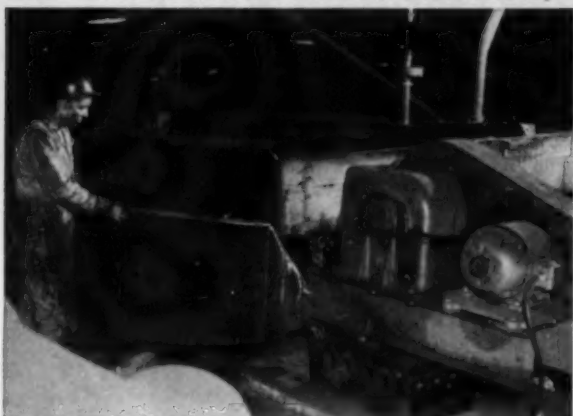
The modernization and expansion which the Pocahontas Fuel Company has undertaken is indicative of the industry's trend. The market calls for a higher quality product than ever before. The new Amonate plant, tall as an eight-story building, is operated by four men. Hundreds of tons of coal are cleaned each hour with push-button ease.

*General Electric is ready to assist you in applying up-to-date electric equipment to help reduce your coal-processing costs. Whatever your problems, G-E system-engineered drives keep processing in step, minimize downtime, make most efficient use of manpower. For more information, contact your local G-E Apparatus Sales Office, or write for Bulletin GEA-5308, "Electrified Coal Preparation," to General Electric Co., Section 663-41, Schenectady 5, N. Y.*

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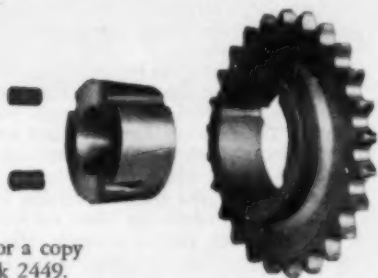
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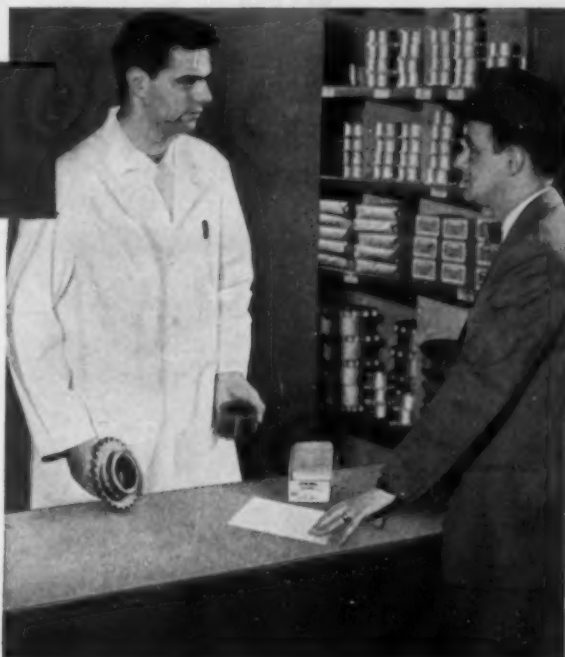
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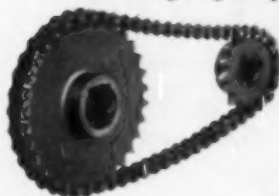


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No need to fit sprocket to shaft. Setscrews draw sprocket onto taper bushing, causing bushing to clamp tightly on shaft—equivalent to shrink fit. Turning setscrews in removal-holes quickly releases sprocket from shaft. Full bushing length supports sprocket on shaft.



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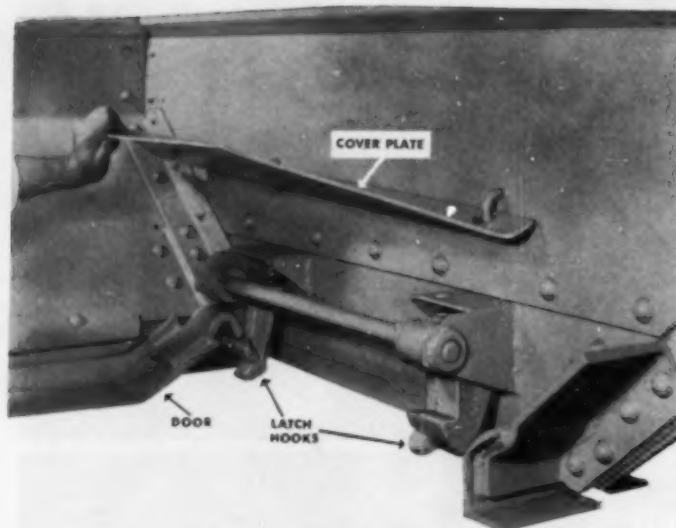
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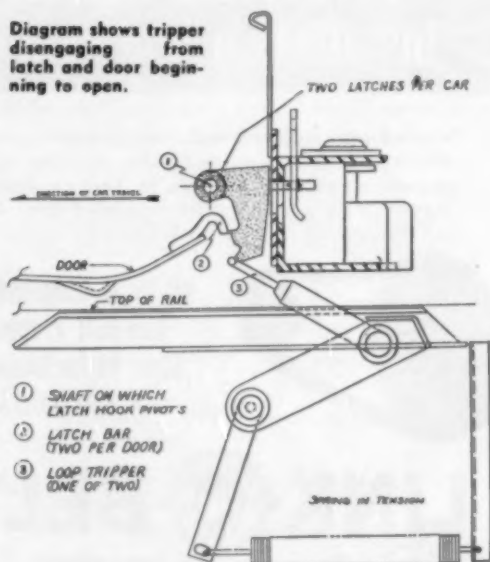
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The detail drawing below illustrates how each independently operated tripping device mounted between rails engages the "Twin Safety Latches" and unlocks the doors. Each latch is completely protected from obstructions lying along roadway by the body structure. In this diagrammatic drawing you see that no part of latch casting extends below the door or endsill. For this reason, a rock, timber or lump of coal lying between rails cannot accidentally trip either of the "Twin Safety Latches". This can only be done by the special tripping device mounted at the bin.

Diagram shows tripper disengaging from latch and door beginning to open.



While diagram above shows tripper disengaging from latch and door beginning to open, the photo at left above shows position of each hook when locked by one of the "Twin Safety Latches". This photo was made with deflector plate lifted and which, in normal use, completely covers latch operation.



# Here's motor superiority you can see

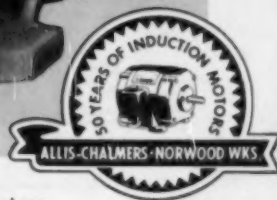
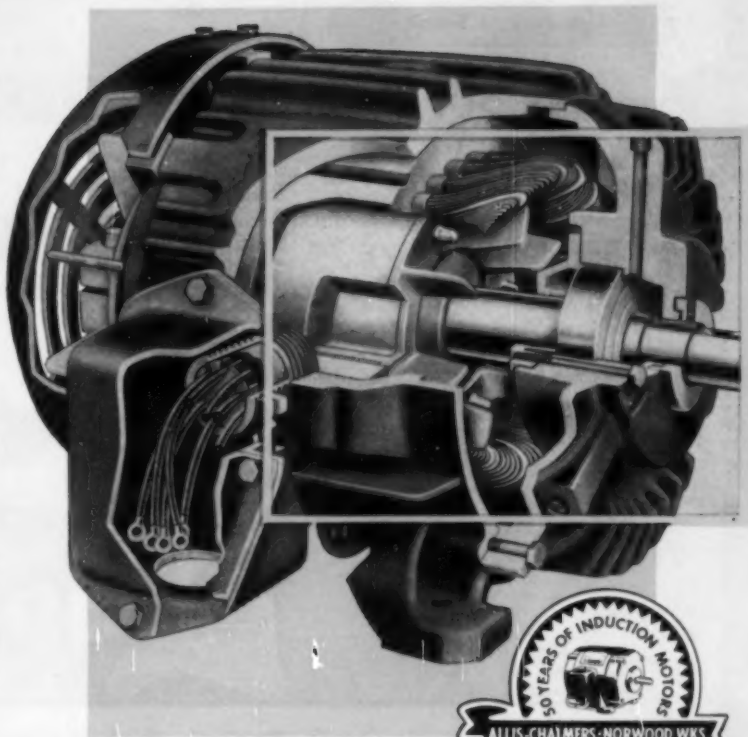


**It takes 6 bolts  
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**T**HE TWO EXTRA BOLTS in the end housing of every Allis-Chalmers ball bearing motor are the proof of *extra* protection against bearing failure. These are the bolts that hold the bearing cap tightly in place against the inner face of the bearing enclosure. This cap, with its close running clearances, keeps grease from the interior of the motor . . . retains an ample supply within the bearing enclosure . . . protects the grease and the bearing against contamination from dirt and moisture.

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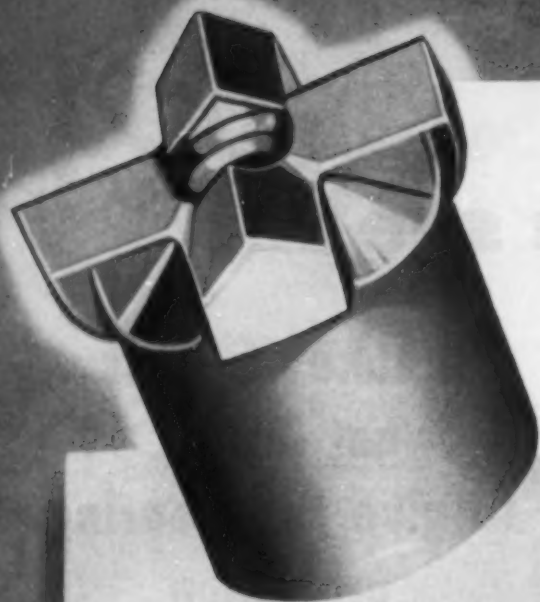
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# Here's another

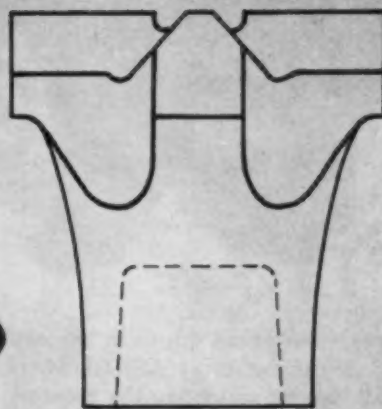


Steel Socket

Drill Bit

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The union of the bit and the rod after drilling has a cohesive strength of several tons . . . A sharp blow of sufficient weight on the end of the bit skirt will serve to detach the bit from the rod.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Mines everywhere cut drilling costs with CRD DETACHABLE DRILL BITS • 4 - Wing Type - Center Hole - Side Hole

<p><b>Class "A" Bits</b> For class "A" drill steel connection on any steel. Best suited to 7/8" steel.</p>	1-1/4	Aluminum	<p><b>Class "B" Bits</b> For class "B" drill steel connection on any steel. Best suited to 1", 1 1/8" and 1 1/4" steel.</p>	1-7/16	Orange
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	1-1/2	Grey		1-11/16	Black
	1-9/16	Maroon		1-3/4	Red
	1-5/8	Deep Blue		1-13/16	Blue
				1-7/8	Tan
				1-15/16	Plain
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Cans are labeled showing size of steel socket, gauge of bit, and color.

# way to cut drilling costs!

## Use Le Roi-CLEVELAND one-use CRD Detachable Bits



Lower cost per foot of hole — that's the goal of everyone who has rock to drill. And that was the goal of Le Roi-CLEVELAND engineers, too. They didn't fool around with the problem either.

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### These Features Mean Lower Drilling Costs for You

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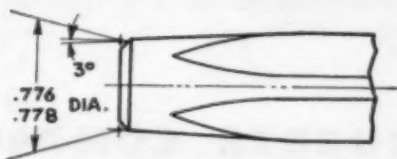
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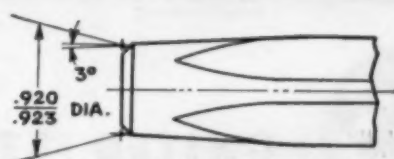
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Taper shank dimensions for  $\frac{3}{8}$ " steel.  
Class A Bits



Taper shank dimensions for 1" hex,  
1" Q.O., 1  $\frac{1}{4}$ " and 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " rd. steel.  
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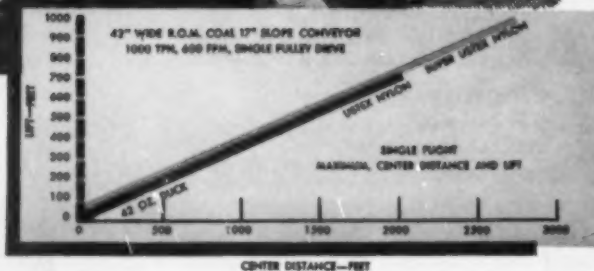
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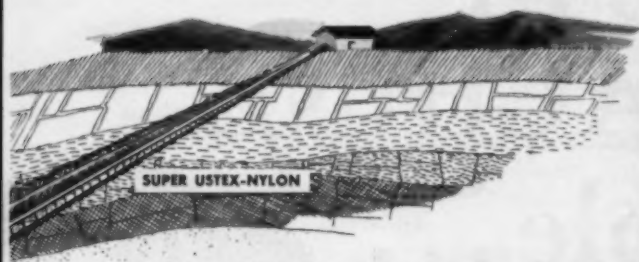


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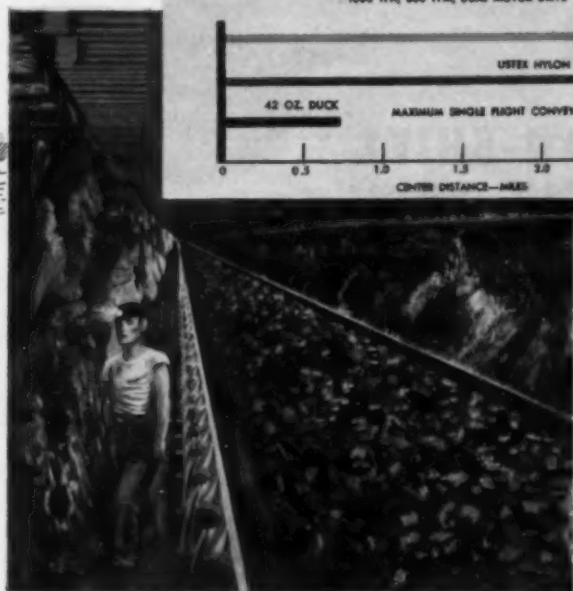
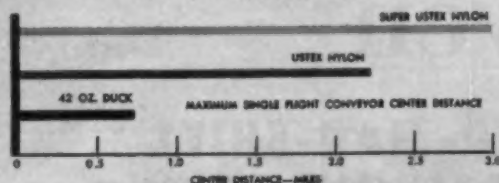
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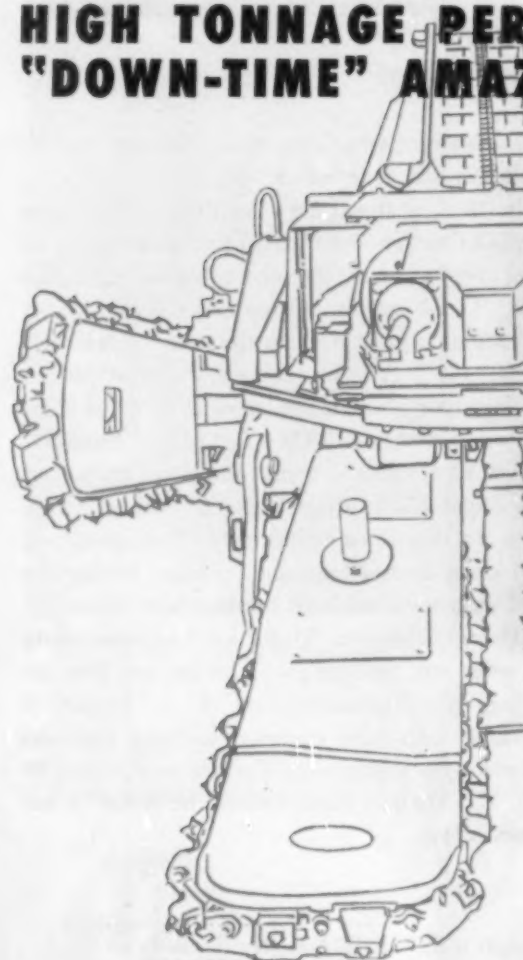
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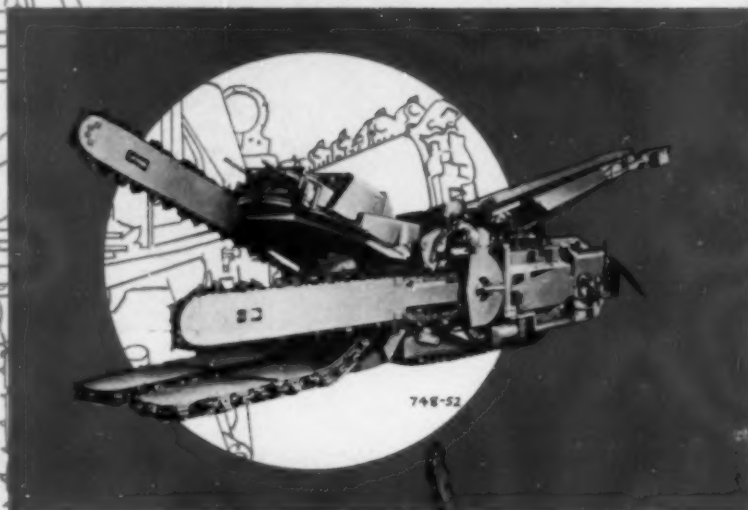
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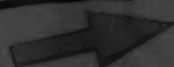
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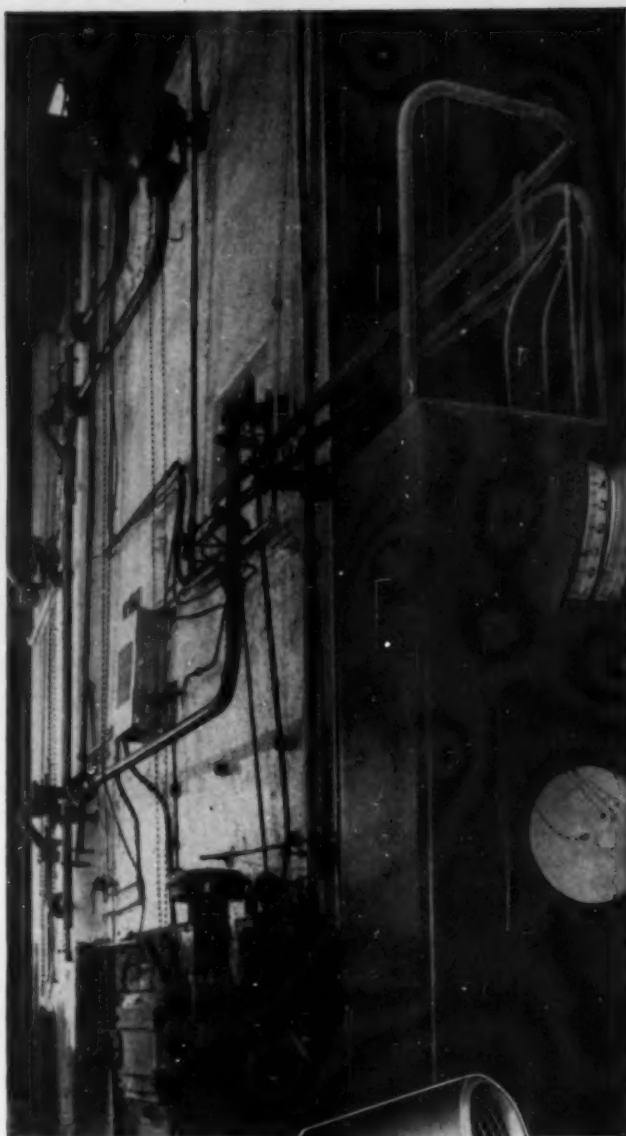
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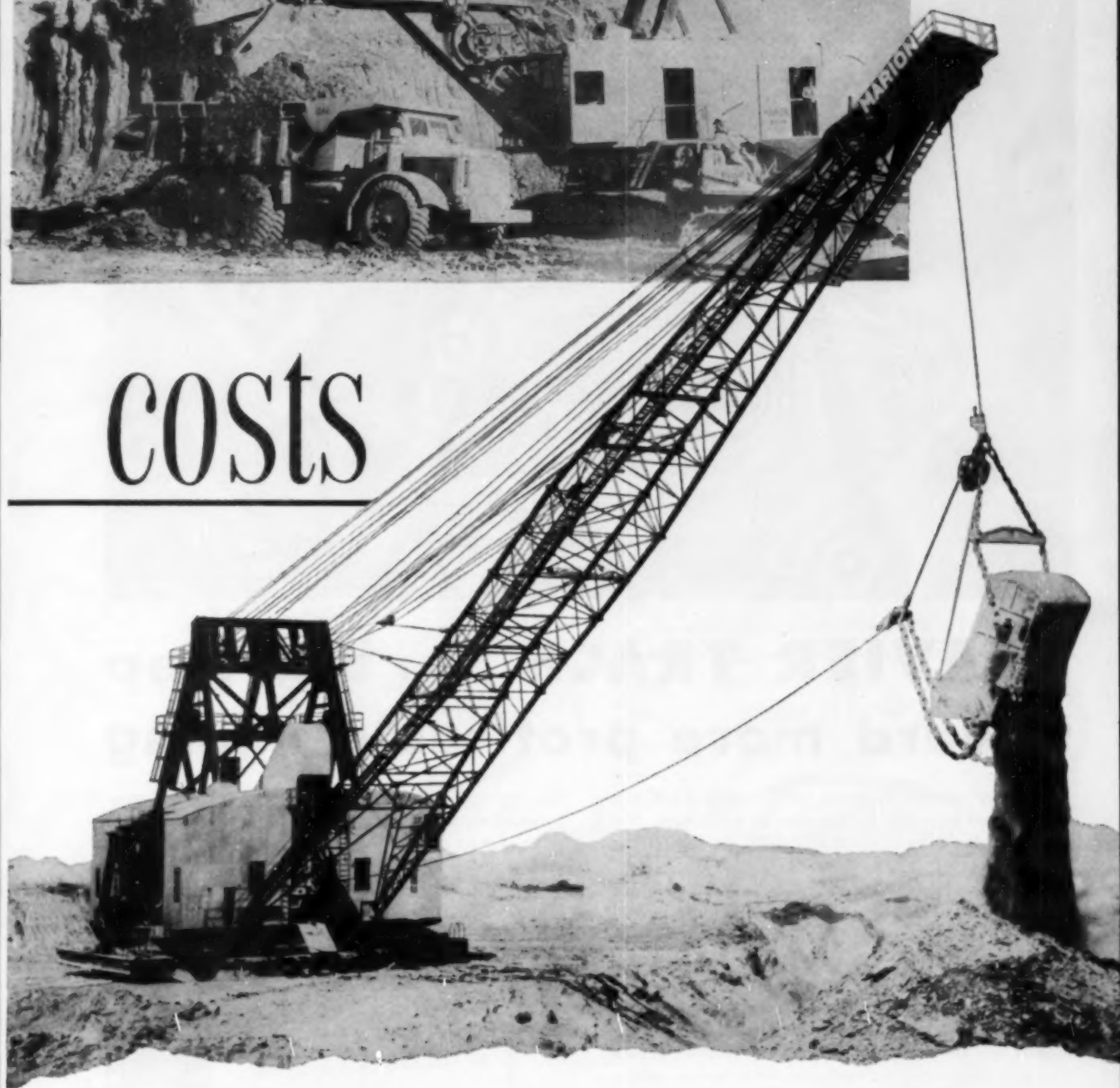
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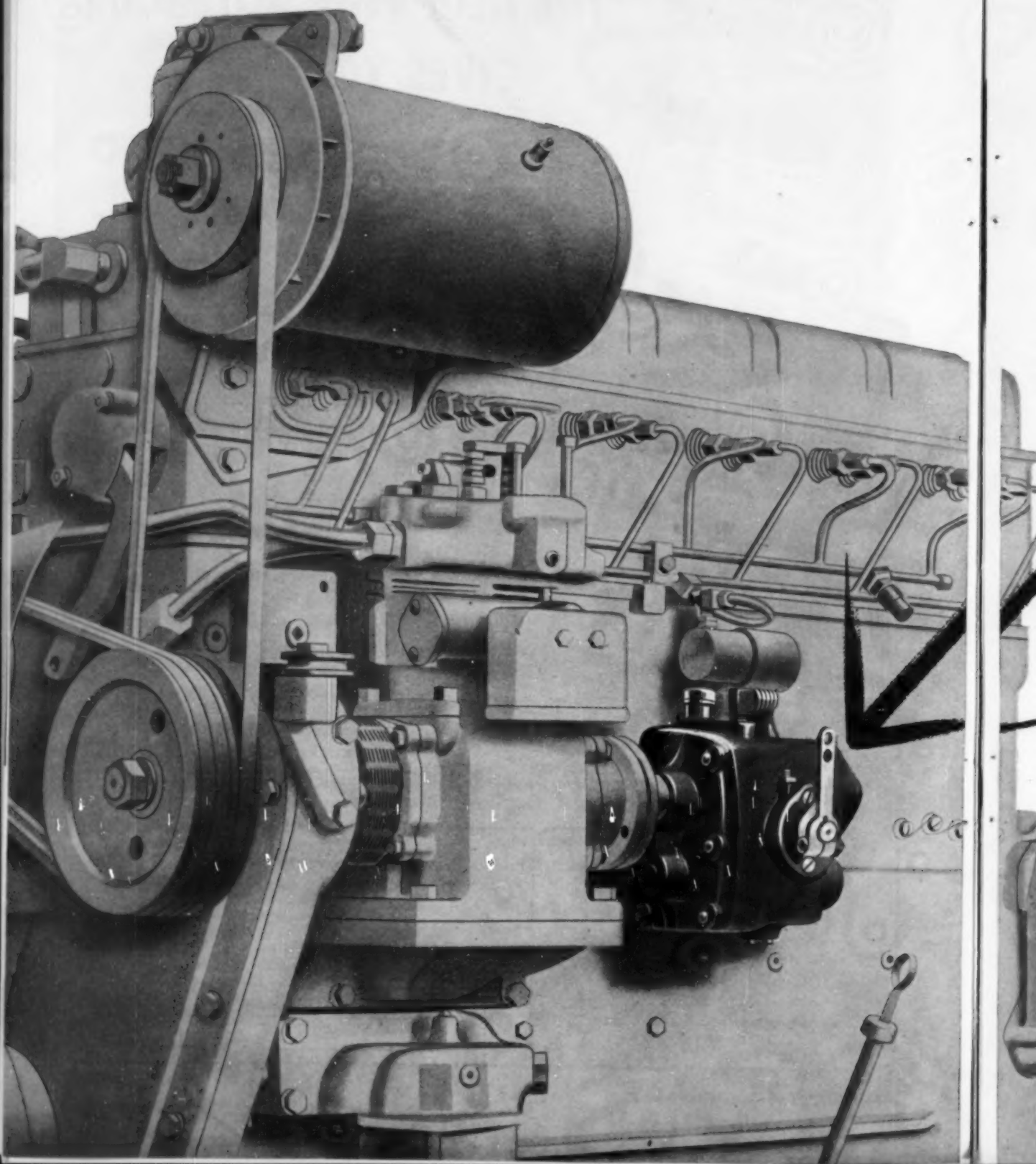
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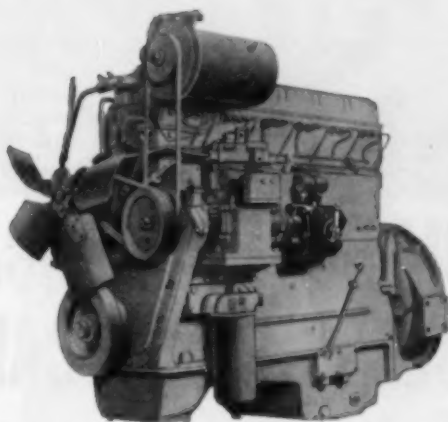
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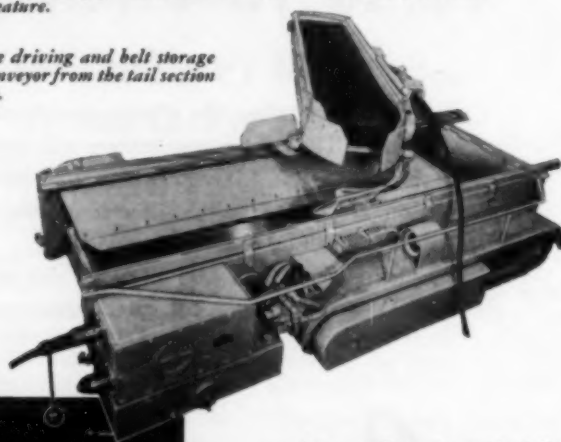
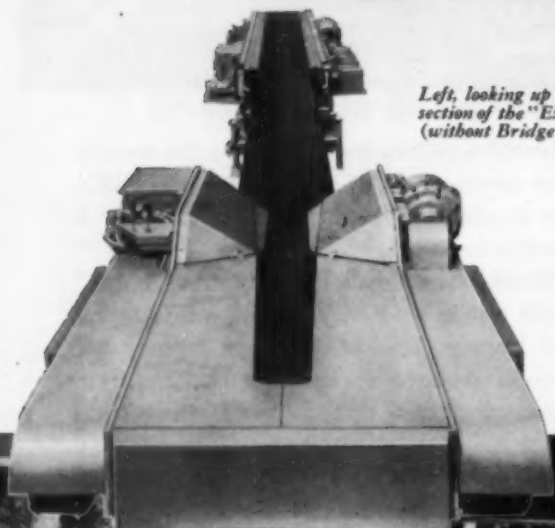
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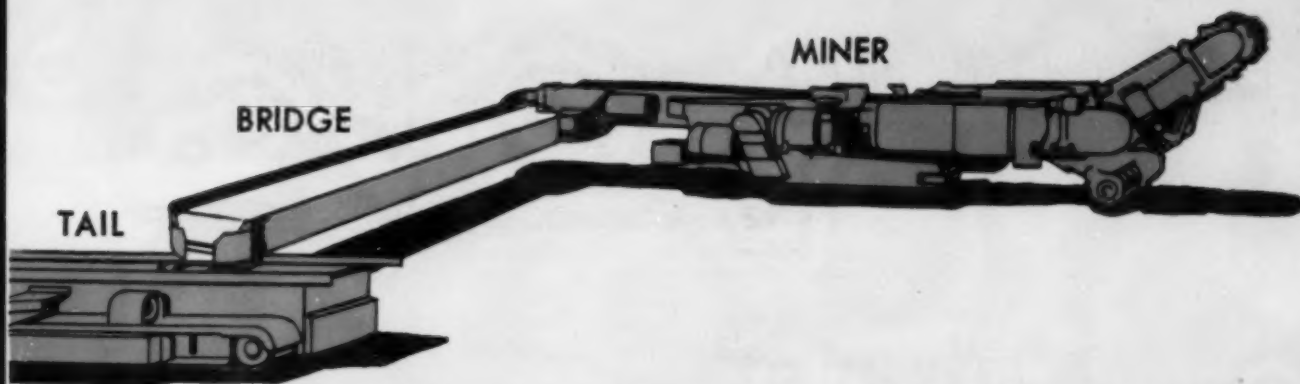
*Left, looking up toward the driving and belt storage section of the "Ex-Belt" Conveyor from the tail section (without Bridge Conveyor).*



*Above, tail section with full-length hopper, track-mounted sliding carriage, and Bridge Conveyor which provides a flexible connecting link from a Continuous Miner (see drawing at top of page).*

*As the Continuous Miner advances while mining a room of 16-foot width, a continuous stream of coal moves away from the tail section and up the "Ex-Belt" Conveyor toward the camera. Note the perfect troughing of the belt and the smooth, steady action of the LIMBEROLLER idlers, rotating with practically no waver. Along the rib, note how the required idler stands and side rails for a 13' section of the belt stack compactly between timbers.*





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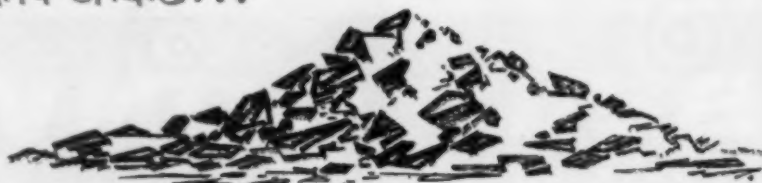
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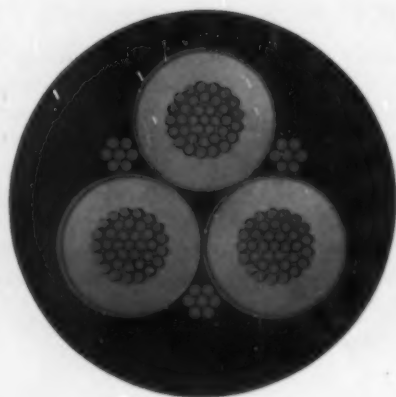


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# here's how one **TSP** sprocket has saved **\$5,222.00**



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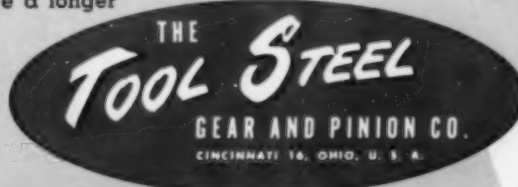
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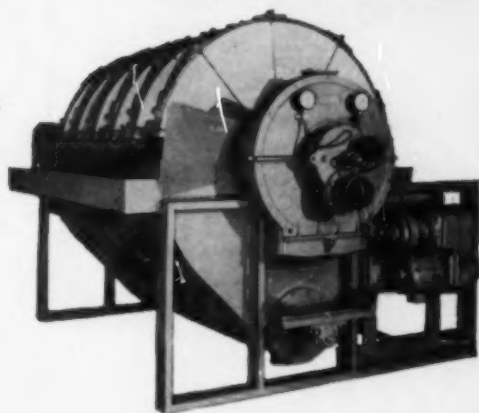
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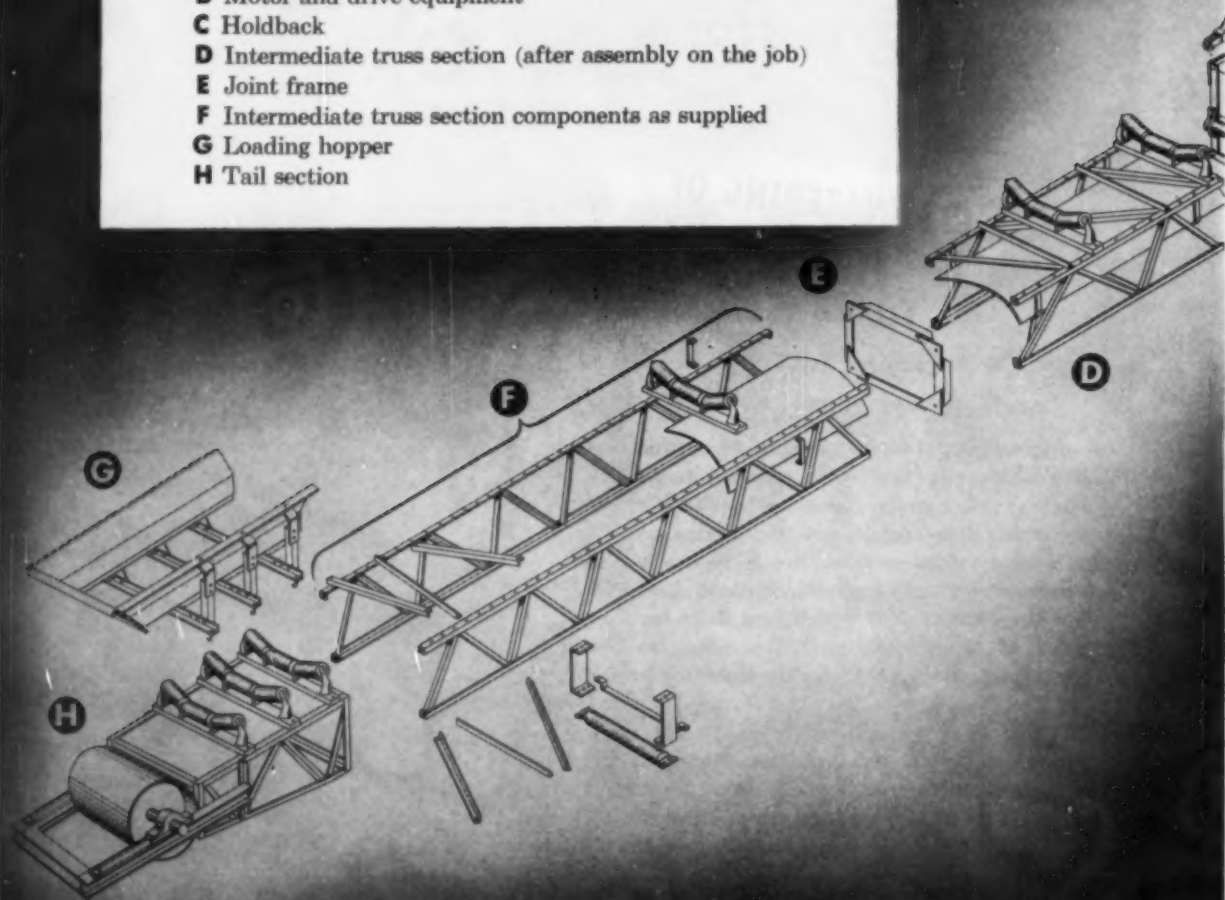
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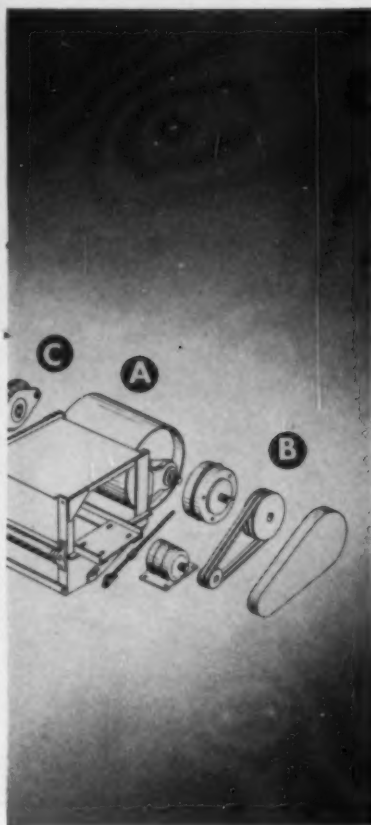
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## ENGINEERING DATA

**APPLICATION:** Designed to handle bulk and packaged materials where special limitations and conditions do not require the use of custom-engineered belt conveyors.

**MATERIALS HANDLED:** Sand, gravel, run-of-mine ore, coke, stone, coal, gypsum, grain, sugar beets and any other bulk materials that can be handled more efficiently and economically by belt conveyor.

**CAPACITIES:** From 20 to 500 TPH at belt speeds from 200 to 450 feet per minute.

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**LENGTH:** From 15'6" up to any

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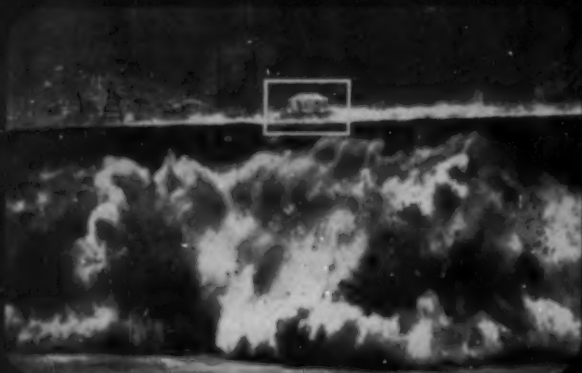
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#### BLAST DATA:

Number of holes... 9  
Average depth... 56'  
Spacing... 17'  
Burden... 6 to 20'  
ROCKMASTER delays 0 through 8  
Average stemming .17'  
Diameter of holes .6"  
Total powder... 3025 lb.  
(Apex #4 HV and #2 MV)  
Rock produced... 14,000 Tons  
Powder factor... 4.63  
Loading started... 8:30 AM  
Loading finished... 10:30 AM  
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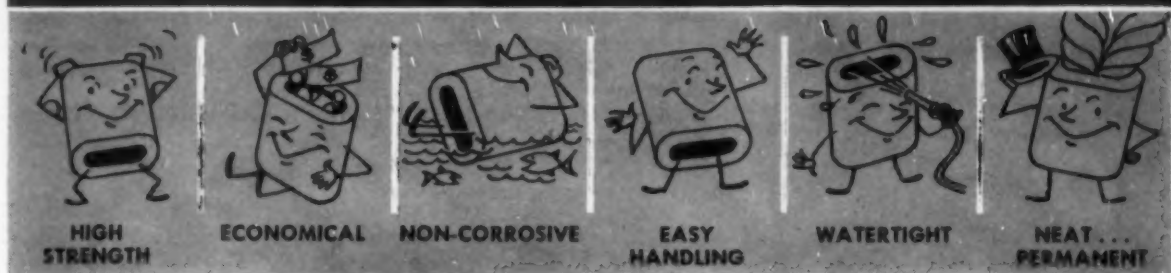
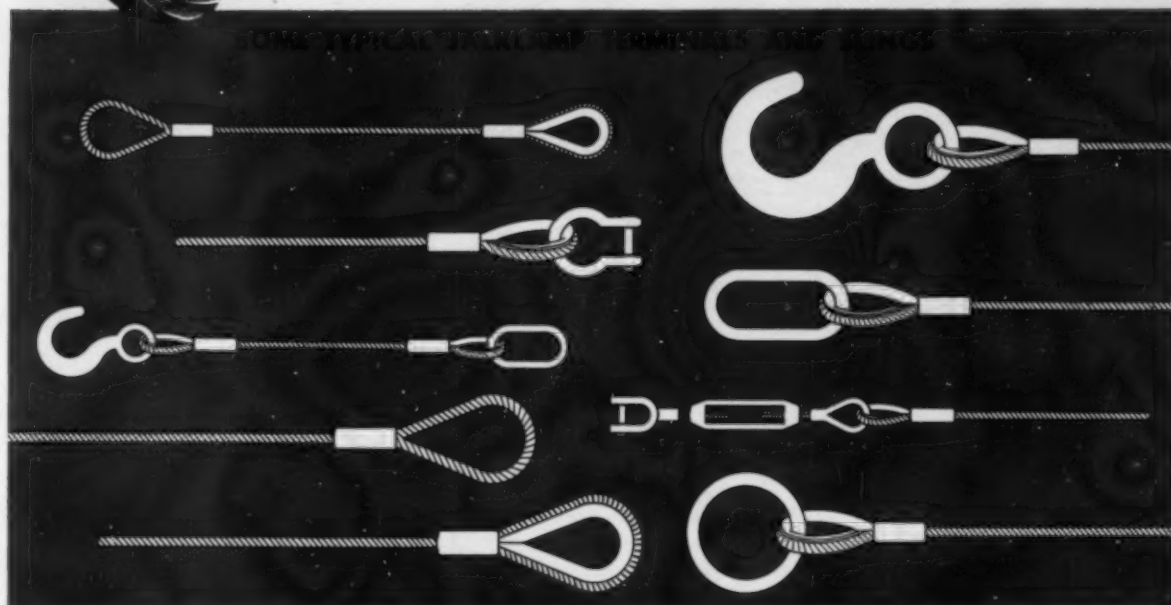
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*Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Co. reports:*

## Belts reinforced with Du Pont "Cordura" give trouble-free performance 16 hours a day



Over-all view of Canisteo Mine conveyor-belt system. Belts reinforced with Du Pont "Cordura" carry crude iron ore up this 18° slope . . . hug the center idler for better troughing and training throughout the run.

Steady production at the Canisteo Mine, Coleraine, Minn., depends on the performance of conveyor belts like the one shown above. The belts, reinforced with Du Pont Cordura® High Tenacity Rayon, transport an average of 900 tons of crude iron ore from pit to wash plant every hour—stand up well under rugged 16-hour workdays.

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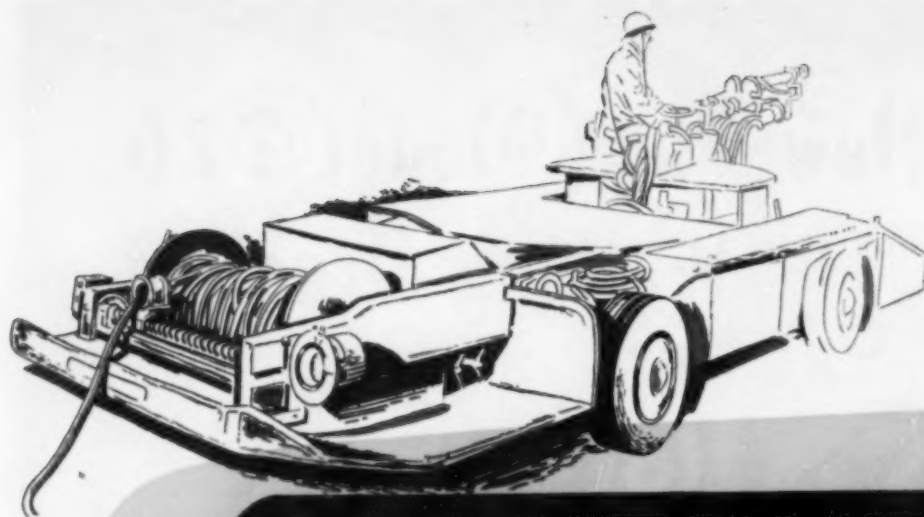
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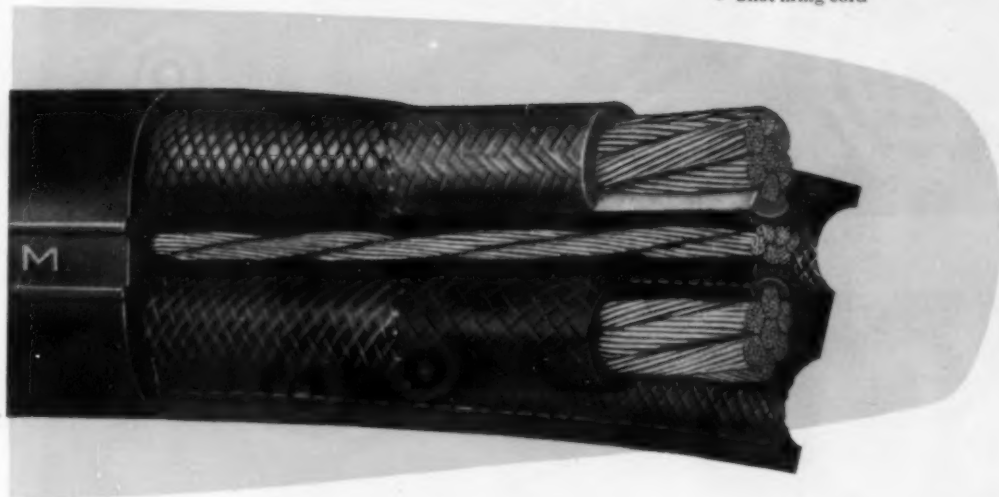
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*These 5 service advantages will help you get more tonnage per cable dollar*

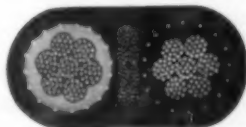
You can reduce the cost of cable failure . . . by buying the best.

You know that cable failure means (a) lost tonnage, (b) downtime, (c) idle machinery, (d) repair expenses, (e) cable replacement expense. Add all these together and the cost of the best cable is low, because it lasts longer. It reduces the number of failures.

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**1. FLEXIBLE**—Tough Neoprene webbing separates grounding conductor from insulated conductors. This gives you . . . high impact resistance, low conductor fatigue, better protection against "shorts," and maximum flexibility.

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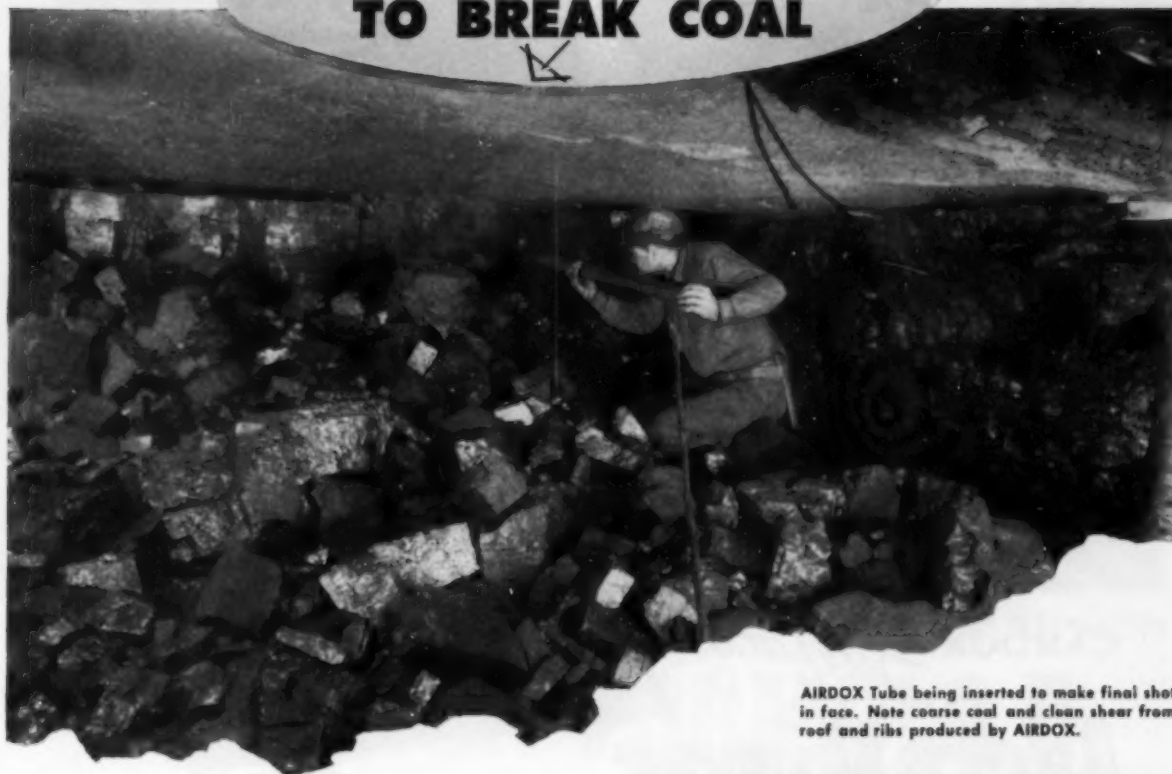
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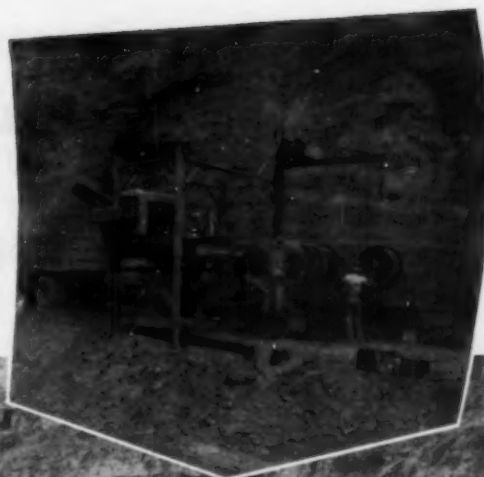
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#### SLOTTED BOLT

A 1-in. bolt having a centered, forged slot. No material is removed when slotting. Other end of bolt has 5 in. of rolled threads. Intended for 1¼-in. hole. When bolt is driven against back of hole, steel wedge is forced deep into slot, expanding ends of bolt. Truncated-cone point prevents thread damage. Usually supplied with American Standard Regular Square Nut.

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1. Square-head ¾-in. carbon-steel bolt.  
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## Power Through Concentration

IT BECOMES CLEARER day by day that the coal industry is moving steadily toward better organization to meet today's problems and lay the foundation for future progress. The bedrock executive sessions on how to achieve these goals continue, and include taking the problem apart for a closer look at its parts as a means of arriving at a better organization and better methods for reaching a sound solution. This was the method followed by Appalachian Coals, Inc., in its bulletin of July 29, in reaching the conclusion that if the bituminous industry is to remain in a position to serve the Nation as it may be called upon to do—including fueling a defense effort, if one should be necessary—it must maintain developed mines at or near present capacity. To do this, the bituminous industry needs to produce approximately 550,000,000 tons per year. ACI then points out that the logical way of maintaining this production is by:

"1. Congress restricting the importation of foreign residual oil which will displace about 50 million tons of coal per year at present rates.

"2. The administration arranging for Marshall-aid countries to buy American coal. (Why should western Europe buy millions of tons of coal from Iron Curtain countries when American coal is competitive?)

"3. Amending the Natural Gas Act to permit and encourage natural gas to sell at its true economic value in the markets. (It is selling today at the well for one-fifth the price of crude oil and two-fifths the price of coal at the mine.)

"4. The railroads, in cooperation with the government, reducing their freight rates on coal so that they will return not more than the cost of hauling plus a reasonable profit. (Today they are set up to carry the losses of passenger and dining-car traffic, and on other commodities.)

"5. Adjusting wage rates and fringe benefits

to be competitive with other industries, particularly the oil and natural-gas industries.

"6. Providing additional sound leadership in the industry itself.

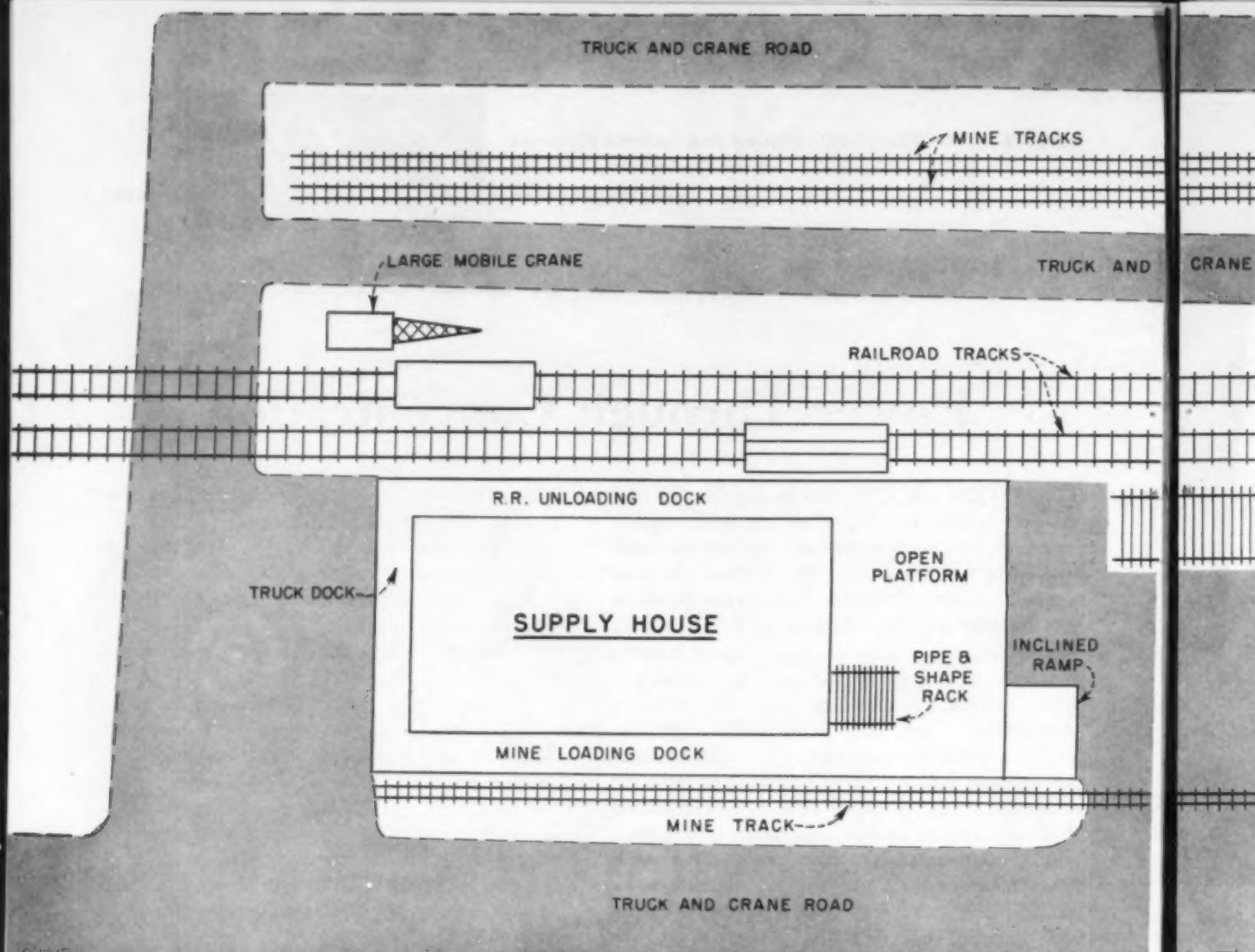
"7. Combining more productive capacity under single well-managed units.

"8. Better selling through larger units, including regional marketing agencies.

"9. Realization by utility and industrial executives that it is in the national and their own companies' interests to pay the cost of production plus a reasonable profit for the coal they buy."

Inherent in this program is concentration of power in solving industry problems—and in preventing the birth and growth of new ones, as, for example, subsidized atomic power generation, which has been seriously advocated and cannot yet be considered dead. Combination of more productive capacity into a single unit, reflected in the active consideration of new mergers, and combination of merchandising power in larger selling units, also a growing trend, are steps toward concentration of power and greater stability in industry operations, since both facilitate action by the industry as a whole—and with all the power that action as an industry represents—in advancing the interests of the industry from within, and in getting action from outside on problems it cannot solve itself.

Concentrated power makes it easier to convert weaknesses into strength—and to strengthen strength itself. Coal is strong in production and quality, and the road to additional strength is clearly marked. Coal is not so strong in research, in merchandising, and in the will and facilities for advancing its just interests in Congress, in government circles and with the public. Here, too, the steps that should be taken are clear, and the more industry organizes to bring massed power to bear, the easier it will be to take them effectively.



RECENTLY BUILT SUPPLY FACILITY features yard for easy access by trucks and mobile cranes, and a supply house with receiving and loading docks on three sides.

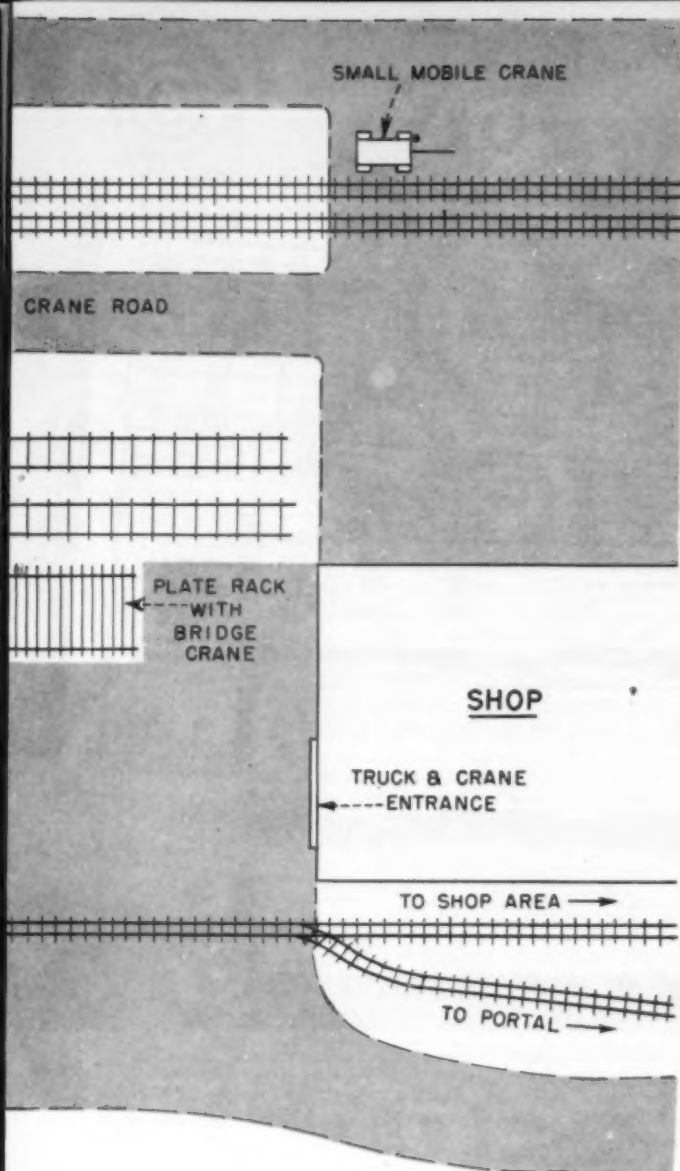
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COAL MINES spend an average of approximately 85c per ton for operating supplies and materials including repair parts. The low, usually at the smaller operations, is as little as 40c per ton or less and the high is over \$1. Surveys by *Coal Age* indicate that the more-efficient operations tend to have supply costs at or above the average, reflecting the fact that keeping machines and men working requires an adequate flow of parts and materials. In other words, a good supply setup promotes efficiency and low cost in four major ways:

1. It enables machines and men to produce more by preventing interruptions resulting from lack of parts and materials—or delays in delivering them to the point of need.

2. It keeps investment in parts and materials to a minimum.



3. It prevents waste and loss of parts and materials.

4. It insures that parts and materials are received, stored and delivered to the point of use at minimum cost.

What is involved in a good supply setup and how to get it are the subjects of the material which follows in this *Coal Age* special cost-cutting report.

## 1. Inventory Control

**PURPOSE:** Keeping investment in parts and materials on hand to the minimum consonant with efficient mine operation.

Too high a supply inventory means letting money lie idle, while too low an inventory can mean production delays and higher production costs. Depending upon mine location and other factors discussed in the following, the level of supplies at individual mines ranges from as little as \$25 to \$30 per ton of daily capacity up to \$150 or more per ton at mines remote from manufacturing and dis-

tributing centers. The average appears to be in the neighborhood of \$50 to \$60 on hand per ton of daily capacity.

Under coal-mining conditions, the inventory level involves a fair amount of personal judgment based on experience and an analysis of parts and supply use in relation to time for normal replenishment. Some of the factors involved in arriving at a solution include:

1. **Cost of item or a class of items in relation to production cost increases incurred if the item is not on hand when needed**—for example, spare armatures or motors. For instance, how much, at the most, would a rotor failure on the main shaker-screen motor involve in payments for non-productive labor, for power for ventilation and pumping during the production interruption, and so on? And would the cost be reduced if a complete motor was on hand instead of only the rotor? Or should the possibility of a stator failure be the controlling one and thus dictate keeping a complete motor ready for replacement?

In all these, it is assumed that the tonnage loss could be made up at a later date and that the extra cost on the breakdown day is the major factor, though if the breakdown occurred near the end of the shift the loss might be reduced by better preparation in the mine for the following shift and consequently a higher tonnage and higher efficiency on that shift.

From the preceding, it can be concluded that there is no easy sure-fire formula for relating parts inventory to breakdown losses, though there is, of course, at least an approximate relation. Careful study of the problem is the best guide to informed judgment of what is needed.

2. **Rate of use in relation to time required to reorder and get delivery of replacements.** Experience normally will indicate the rate at which, say, controller fingers of a certain type are used. If new supplies could be secured in a month, then the maximum on hand at any one time theoretically would be a month. However, it may be considered desirable to have an additional reserve, which becomes largely a matter of judgment. Or, the total use in, say, 6 mo, might be so small that it would pay to keep that much stock on hand to avoid the extra clerical and other effort involved in ordering more frequently. Also, discounts for volume may be a factor in quantity ordered and consequently the total on hand at any one time.

3. **Central warehousing v. warehouses at individual mines.** Where one company operates several mines, it normally is considered more economical to operate one central warehouse provided certain conditions exist. These include:

A. Reasonable distances from central warehouse to mines to keep down delivery time.

B. Good highways and good trucking facilities to permit fast deliveries.

Where these conditions exist, central warehousing, as noted, is considered feasible and economical, except for certain types of supplies, such as, timber, rail and the like. Of course, a certain volume of other parts and supplies must be kept at each mine and, in fact, at each deep-mine or pit face, to facilitate maintenance and prevent operating delays arising out of such things as lack of timber, etc.

A major advantage of the central system is reduction in total inventory because it is not necessary to duplicate each item at each mine, particularly the larger, more-costly units, since, with fast delivery, a smaller number of, say, armatures can serve the several mines. Otherwise, it might be considered necessary to keep one at each property.

Exceptions of course, include, as noted, timber, ties, roof bolts and other items used regularly and at relatively fixed rates which, once the rate of procurement and method are







## 2. Control Systems

**PURPOSE:** Accurate records of quantities on hand, quantities issued and dates of reorder.

While the plural "systems" is used in the title to this section, coal mines have largely settled on the "perpetual" system of inventory control. Basically, this system shows quantity and cost of units and materials received, quantity and cost of units and materials issued, and quantity remaining on hand at all times. From this, it gets its name "perpetual."

Two of the methods of keeping a perpetual inventory are:

1. Cards on each bin, particularly of the smaller items, on which the records of receipt, disbursement and quantity on hand are kept.
2. Cards designed for keeping in tray-type files, so-called rotary files, or in loose-leaf ledgers.

Wide use of the file-card system indicates that it is the handiest and surest. With bin cards or other systems, it normally is necessary to make an inspection or separate notes as the parts and materials are issued to determine if reordering is necessary, and those who have used the bin-card system report that there is a greater possibility of running short through failure to note that the time for reordering has come.

Inventory cards may be made up specifically by a mining company to meet its own needs, or cards, files and systems may be purchased from specialists in business machines and business records, who can, if desired, provide forms and equipment for even punch-card tabulating and record-making where the number and volume of supply items is large.

The accompanying illustrations show two types of cards provided by business-record specialists. One is designed for ledger use and the other for tray-type files. Both show purchases, including, in one type, cost of shipping, and both show cost and quantity received, cost and quantity issued and cost and quantity left on hand after each disbursement. The ledger form also includes a column for the account number to which the supplies are charged. Both also indicate warehouse section and bin number where the item can be found.

The perpetual system provides a running record of activity in supplies, and also an easy means of making periodic summaries of use. In some instances, certain types of supplies, such as, timber when bought locally as offered, may be excluded from the perpetual system. However, when there are exclusions, it becomes the responsibility of some supervisor or employee to make sure that (a) the items are not overbought, (b) that the quantity is not permitted to drop below the danger point, and (c) that data is supplied for the periodic supply-use and inventory reports. Most mines prefer to have everything in the system.

The records used in the perpetual systems also provide a convenient means of determining when reordering must be done. In other words, when the quantity left on hand after the last disbursement reaches a minimum shown by experience, a new order is placed. By the same token, the records may be used to prevent overbuying by establishing a top limit or quantity on hand, and also for maintaining an approximate average level between the minimum and maximum.

Certain types of cards are designed to permit the use of "flags," or colored tabs, to facilitate reordering and the compilation of periodic reports on use of parts, supplies and materials. A green plastic tab on the bottom of the card may be slid to the center the first time an item is issued in a monthly or other report period, and a red

tab on the opposite side also may be slid to the center as an indication that the item is to be reordered when the next weekly requisitions on the purchasing department are prepared. The flags make it unnecessary to check each card for other preparation of the distribution report, or for reordering, thus saving considerable time and making it easier for the supply clerk.

Whatever the control system employed, it should be supplemented by an actual physical inventory. The practice varies between 6 mo and a year at most mines.

Even at small operations, an accurate record of receipts, cost and use is essential for wise and economical use of supplies, and while the perpetual or other good inventory system requires some paper work and the assumption of responsibility by some person, it can save both money and production time in the same proportion as in the larger operations.

## 3. Use Records

**PURPOSE:** Accurate determination of the cost of parts and supplies by functions or, in more detail, by machine and section, as a means of checking on loss, waste and destruction through carelessness, machine abuse, and so on.

Though it requires extra paper work, there is a growing tendency to go beyond the standard "supply-distribution report" and require more detailed reports on use of parts and materials by machine and by working section for the purposes listed in the preceding paragraph. The standard distribution report, usually prepared monthly, shows supplies charged to classes of equipment, such as, shuttle cars, and to mining functions, such as ventilation, timbering and the like. For convenience, each equipment class or mining function is provided with an account number.

Where account numbers are used, some hold that the daily or other delay reports (see "Maintenance for Lower Cost," July, 1954, *Coal Age*) provide—at least by inference—sufficient information to determine whether supplies are being used properly and economically. Those who are adopting the more-detailed system argue that definite and positive information is a necessity to prevent waste and loss through abuse and carelessness, particularly in view of the rising cost of everything that enters into mining.

Whatever the system, order forms, reports and records are essential for the proper evaluation of supply use. To start off with, nothing should be issued without an order, properly signed, stating what is wanted and where it is to be used. This applies even if the item is for current use, such as, timber, or is to go into, say, a section parts depot to replace some item used in maintenance. And for a check and appropriate action, summaries of supply use should be prepared at regular intervals for the information and use of mine and operating management.

The monthly distribution report previously referred to and prepared by account numbers is one form of report to mine and operating management. Where more detailed data are desired, the form or forms may be expanded to show items charged out to each machine, to each working section and to each general function, such as pumping, thus providing a better opportunity for determining whether abuse is running up parts cost for a particular loading machine, as an example, or whether certain sections are taking a larger-than-normal supply of timbers, perhaps indicating waste.

Aside from reports derived from the regular requisitions, special reports may be required of certain officials and mine employees. For example, a single carbide-tipped cutter bit can cost \$1.25 or more, and, therefore, some opera-

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**MOBILE CRANE** with various attachments handles heavy materials in the supply yard and can unload a carload of ties in less than 1½ hr.



**REELS** for cable, and the like facilitate handling



**PUSH-TYPE LIFT TRUCK** eases problem of handling heavy parts and units in supply house and shop. Similar mortarized units may be employed.



**SPECIAL RACKS** accommodate spare armatures and provide protection.

## Convenient, Low-Cost Supply Handling

both regular supply buildings and also sheds for certain items requiring less protection.

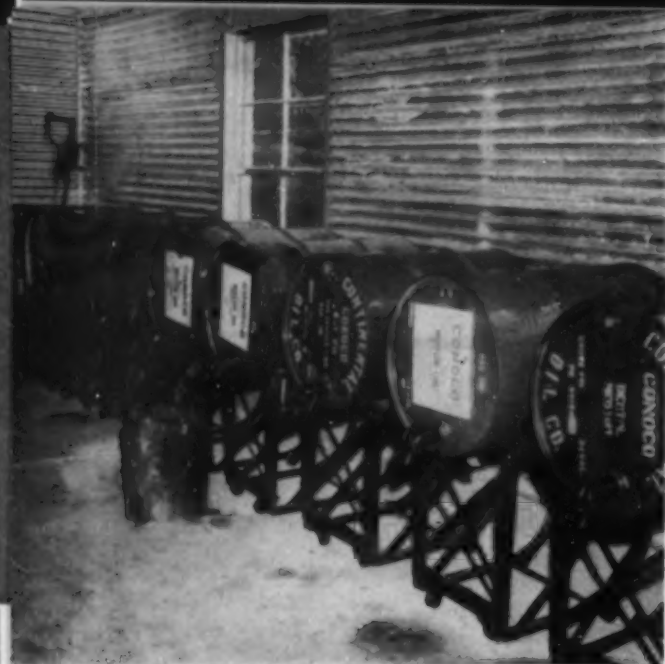
Open or yard storage is satisfactory for timber, steel ties, rail and the like, including heavy equipment items that are not appreciably affected by rust and other deterioration as a result of exposure to rain, snow, dust and the like. Where the items are made, for example, from copper and lend themselves to theft, enclosed storage normally is dictated to prevent losses of this type. Shed storage may be desirable for pipe, structural shapes, plate and the like to prevent excessive rusting and also avoid difficulties with snow and rain in storing and handling. However, shed storage rules out, in most instances, the use of mobile cranes in handling such items, and the ability to use such equipment may outweigh the disadvantages of open storage.

### STORAGE LAYOUT

While the storage layout will vary from mine to mine, the plan shown in the accompanying illustration illustrates some of the basic principles involved in achieving efficiency, convenience and protection. In this instance, the shop is near the supply house and thus a separate shop supply is not required. The principles illustrated include:

1. **Receiving and loading dock** completely surrounding the warehouse. This is a practice that can be followed if desired, but it may not always be necessary to surround the supply house with docks, though provision should be made for sufficient dock space both for receiving and for loading to mine equipment. The docks in the setup illustrated are at the right height for receiving material from





**OIL-HOUSE OPERATION** is facilitated by equipment for easy handling of drums, such as these castor-mounted tilting racks.

railroad cars or trucks, and for loading materials into mine equipment without excessive lifting or lowering.

The design permits running hand trucks or other mobile equipment directly into cars or trucks in most instances for unloading, and also permits lowering items directly into mine equipment. It will be noted that for the most part items are taken into the supply house from one side and then move directly across to the mine track. If desired, the truck dock may be reduced to one-truck width, extended inside the supply house, and equipped with rollup doors so that loading and unloading can be done completely out of the weather. The railroad unloading and mine loading docks also may be roofed if desired, but here again a roof may prevent the use of mobile equipment for handling heavy items.

**2. Open storage planned** so that as heavy material is unloaded it can be placed so that it is convenient for loading into mine equipment. Roads are located so that mobile cranes can be used for unloading railroad cars or for lifting heavy items out of storage into mine equipment. These same roads permit unloading such items as mine props directly to the mine trucks if desired.

**3. Use of power-operated handling equipment.** The mobile crane, with various attachments, including clamshell for sand and gravel, and fork for props, rails and the like, or other mobile handling unit materially reduces labor and also the hazards involved in handling heavy parts and materials. With a fork-type grab, for example, two men can unload a car of ties in less than 1½ hr. Aside from cranes, mobile handling units include motorized wheelbarrows, motorized high-lift bucket-type loaders and carriers, high-lift fork trucks, crane trucks and so on.

**Overhead Elimination**—Added flexibility is achieved in the yard illustrated by the complete elimination of trolley wires—a growing trend in the design and operation of supply yards. Elimination of wires also eliminates a hazard, which still is present even if continuous guards are installed. Without trolley wires, material can be stored and reclaimed from either side of the mine track, and high-lift mobile cranes can handle materials across one or even

two tracks without difficulty. Cars are handled in such yards by battery locomotives or, more commonly, by locomotives powered by gasoline or diesel engines.

**4. Open platform with inclined ramp** provides open storage for certain parts and materials and also makes it easier to get equipment, such as, shuttle cars, loaders and the like out of railroad equipment and down to mine-track level. Handling of heavy items on the platform can be done with the mobile cranes, or the platform can be equipped with crane rails and a hoist. An alternative is a crane track extending out of the supply house to the platform both for handling materials on the platform, or for moving them inside to floor storage. The plan illustrated also shows an open plate storage with traveling crane and hoist. Plates are stored on edge between stanchions.

As noted, there are many variations in layout to suit individual mine conditions. Among them are incorporating the supply house into a larger structure serving, for example, a truck garage and repair depot on one side, and a machine shop and general repair shop on the other. Or the supply house may parallel the shop with a track in front of the doors to the shop for loading parts and material into the mine equipment brought in, say, by a diesel or battery locomotive. Thus, most of the loading to mine equipment is under cover.

#### **SUPPLY-HOUSE FACILITIES**

Supply houses include both bin storage for small or moderate-sized items, and floor storage for heavier units. The floor-storage facilities at one new supply house include a basement for cool storage of rubber-covered cable, conveyor belts and other rubber items. Access to the basement is by 25-ton hydraulic lift, large enough to handle even the heaviest reels of cable and belt, which can be rolled on and off.

Some supply houses include a monorail and hoist for handling heavy units into and out of the floor-storage area, and storage facilities for such heavy items, include, in addition to open floor, racks for, say, spare armatures.

Other facilities which have proved successful in simplifying the handling of supplies in warehouses include: sectional steel bins with adjustable shelves; drawer-type and rotating bins for small items; clear plastic chest and drawer units for miniature units; shafts and reels mounted on walls or stanchions for convenience in paying out and measuring cable, hose, rope, etc.; peg racks for V-belts and similar items; and platform-top push trucks for moving items to and from bins, especially if the warehouse occupies a rather large floor space.

If bins are built up higher than eyesight level or arm's reach, trolley or wheeled ladders or steps save time and reduce the possibility of injury. One wheeled step, for example, includes springs which give when a man puts his weight on the steps and thus provides solid footing while at the same time raising the unit when not in use to permit it to be wheeled about.

Light should be ample to read tags, nameplates and the like, and the sources should be placed so that it is relatively easy to see into the backs of shelves or bins, especially those high up.

In addition to provisions for hand trucks, some companies have found it desirable to provide aisles wide enough—at least in the areas where heavy units are stored—to permit small push-type mobile cranes or even motorized units to be brought in for moving, say, armatures to a neighboring shop or to cars or trucks for mine delivery. This presupposes floor construction strong enough to stand up under the traffic and also floors at ground or loading level, or ramps at convenient points, to permit mobile units to travel in and out from ground or other level.



## 6. Special Supply Houses

Supply facilities falling into what might be termed the special class are: powder and oil houses, sand-storage and drying establishments, and even portable or semi-portable pit or mine houses.

Design and location of powder houses is a matter of following the recommendations of state and federal safety authorities and the Institute of Makers of Explosives. Factors to be considered with other types include:

**Oil Houses**—There is good reason for putting oil houses and oil-storage facilities apart from other surface units. Oil and grease are, after all, flammable. However, there is no reason why they cannot be located for easy receipt of supplies either by truck or rail. As a matter of fact, convenient, clean and safe facilities for dispensing are as much factors in oil-house design as storage.

Designs most nearly meeting these objectives include: steel and concrete construction, racks that hold drums in proper position for dispensing, hoists or other mechanical facilities for handling drums, and provisions for catching drip and spillage. Fixed racks should be provided with inclined ramp rails to permit rolling drums up to position, unless chain hoists are used. Chain hoists, incidentally, make it easier to replace drums without handling of others, as do tilting-type racks with castors, which may be pulled out of position, run to the storage area and tilted to permit taking off the drum, after which the process is reversed to put a new drum into position.

**Sand Houses**—Terrain and other considerations affect sand-house design and location. If possible, the facilities should include storage for a specified number of truck loads. In hilly country, where sand is received by truck particularly, it may be possible to build the road up on the hillside so that trucks can dump directly to the bin.

The preceding comments presuppose gravity flow from the wet storage bin to the drying stove or stoves, and from the stoves or dry-sand bins to the locomotives, sand cars or borehole to the mine bottom. This gravity flow materially reduces labor in all phases of receiving, drying and dispensing sand, and this saving may warrant a substantial investment in bins and gravity-handling facilities which, in some instances, are almost or completely automatic.

Though not yet possible in too many mining areas, sand-handling facilities may be eliminated completely by depending upon outside suppliers for drying and delivery. At one operation, the custom drier delivers the sand in oil-type drums ready for movement into the mine.

**Portable Supply Houses**—Under certain circumstances, a "portable" supply house becomes quite convenient in addition to providing protection and promoting order in dispensing supplies—particularly machine parts. One circumstance is stripping where frequent moves are made from one location to another. Another is deep mining of the contour type, where the main opening keeps moving around the hill. Under such circumstances, a number of mining companies have bought small prefabricated buildings and mounted them on skids or trucks for towing from one location to another.

## 7. Supply Delivery

The motor truck in its regular form is the work horse in supply and delivery on the surface. In its special forms, especially at stripping operations, it includes grease trucks—usually designed for actual application of the grease at the

point of use as well—fuel trucks and utility trucks. And at some operations, the final stage in storage and delivery of explosives—at strip mines, for example—is handled by small rubber-tired units designed for towing on the bank by tractor, relieving the regular truck for other duties.

For delivery between supply house and shop, for example, where the two are not too far apart and are connected by a hard-surfaced roadway, some deliveries may be handled by hand-pushed lift cranes, motorized cranes or special motorized flat-bed trucks.

### UNDERGROUND DELIVERY

Where mine cars are employed to haul coal, the same track is used for delivery of supplies—perhaps to the face or, if trackless mining is the rule, to the point where the rails end. Even with belt haulage, convenience in handling supplies and men has led a number of operators to put supply tracks alongside the belt conveyor—or in a parallel heading. Battery locomotives may be employed for pulling the equipment on such auxiliary track systems to avoid having to put up trolley wire. And in some instances, rubber-tired tractors and trailers are employed to take in supplies, eliminating track completely. With either system, the added convenience and saving in time and labor is held to warrant the installation of the track or the preparation of the special roadway for the trackless battery units.

Where belts are installed for haulage, especially single panel units, they may be provided with reversing facilities for movement of supplies back to the face. In some instances, at least, special inching and jogging controls have been provided to facilitate handling long crossbars and other items without hazard to men or to the belt and conveyor.

Facilities for delivering supplies to the faces of rooms equipped with conveyors include:

1. Dolly trucks running in shaker lines.

2. False pan lines, or lines of pans alongside the operating line, which are loaded with supplies and pulled up as the main line is extended, the face pan going into the operating line and the supplies to other face operations. At the same time, a new pan is added at the outby end and loaded with supplies until the place is halfway up, at which point the loaded line will complete the place.

In pitching places, small hoists may be included in the equipment at the face to pull timber and other materials up from the track on the gangway below.

**Mobile Units**—For the most part, unless pitch or some other condition prohibits, the mobile unit operating either on or off the track is the most efficient and flexible unit for supply delivery. In trackless areas, the mobile unit may be a shuttle car, though using a shuttle car on the working shift may result in interference with production. If supplies are delivered on the off-shift, the shuttle car may well double in brass. And if crawler trucks are used for moving shortwalls, these same trucks may also be employed for handling heavy units, such as motors, drives and the like. Special crawler-mounted pullers and carriers also have been built for moving drives and for handling materials.

The extra advantages of special equipment, including availability at all times, design for handling materials and the like, have led, among other things, to a substantial growth in such equipment as battery-powered tractor-trailer units, especially in trackless areas. Some mines also have used the equivalent of a straight truck with a battery for power.

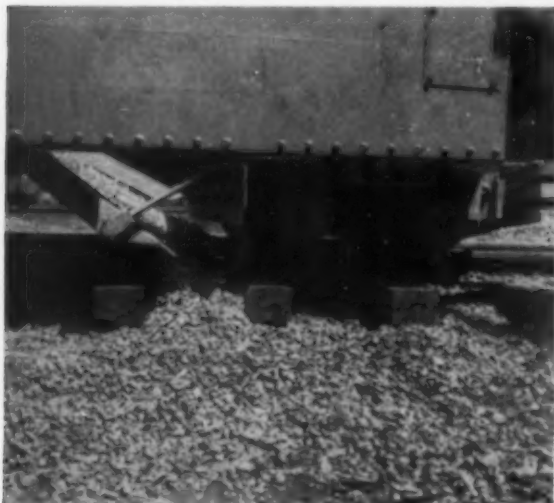
For rail delivery, the mine car, as noted, still is the mainstay. However, special cars and trucks provide a



**STORAGE-IN-TRANSIT** facilities include these rubber-tired explosives trucks at a stripping operation.



**VERSATILE FLAT-BED TRUCKS** facilitate supply delivery. Diesel locomotive is finding wider use in yard.



**SPECIAL SUPPLY-HANDLING EQUIPMENT** includes ballast car with doors for automatic spreading.



**TRAILER PULLED BY BATTERY TRACTOR** solves problem of supply delivery in trackless-mining sections.

## Mechanizing Supplies for Low Cost

number of advantages, including better design for loading, unloading and protection of materials and supplies. An example is the low-height flat-bed car with steel deck and holes all around for stakes, which lends itself to handling almost any shape or size of material or part. Such cars are used on moderate-pitch slopes as well as on the flat. In tandem and properly loaded, such cars also can move rails and long timbers, though the special rail truck still is a standard item at most operations.

Other special cars which a number of operations have found advantageous include the following:

1. A utility car with a cab for the snapper equipped with plastic windows, and compartments for such items as steel ties, miscellaneous track and trolley supplies, coal augers, roof bolts and the like.

2. Sand cars especially designed for the service, including sides low enough for easy unloading to sand boxes.

3. Enclosed powder cars with sliding doors and insulated couplers.

4. Special insulated detonator cars with steel doors, wood and rubber lining, and compartmented drawers.

5. Special ballast cars with bottom doors designed for spreading ballast in the track.

Special handling facilities at unloading or transfer stations underground can materially speed up the job and reduce the hazards. Oil drums, for example, may be lifted off trucks or out of cars by a small chain hoist and run back into the underground depot on a monorail. Similar facilities also may be installed for handling timber, roof bolts and other bulky, lengthy or heavy materials and



**SUPPLY TRANSFER UNDERGROUND** is facilitated by hoist and monorail at one trackless operation.

parts. Handling is facilitated by bundling or tying the materials, such as, timbers, to make it easier to hook onto them with the hoist. In fact, some companies ask that lumber and certain other materials be bundled and strapped by the supplier to facilitate handling all along the line. Properly designed, underground stations of this type make it easy to unload and store materials until the face equipment is ready, then facilitate reloading for distribution.

## 8. Preventing Waste and Loss

There is no particularly easy road to reducing waste and loss in parts and materials, but results can be achieved by, among others, the following methods:

1. **Good Records**—Where supplies go and how much (see Sec. 3).

2. **Education.** Some companies have found, for example, that a display of certain supply items, each tagged with its cost and accompanied by some pertinent words by the superintendent or foreman, brings home to men the costs involved in loss or carelessness and consequently leads employees to handle materials and parts more carefully.

3. **Prevention of Machine Abuse.** This is largely a matter of training both operators and supervisors in how abuse results in breakdowns, lost time and an increased cost for parts.

4. **Rated Voltage.** Along with education of operators and supervisors, the rule should be rated voltage at the terminals of all machines, since less than rated voltage inevitably results in an increase in machine breakdowns, with attendant loss of time and increase in parts consumption.

5. **Protection.** Moisture in cement, coal dust in an open container of oil, and a bundle of roof bolts thrown along the rib and covered with loose coal are all examples of loss through failure to protect materials and supplies. The moral is enclosed storage for materials or parts subject to weather or water damage, enclosed containers for lubricants all along the line from receipt to point of use, and specific places for everything in the supply line—for ex-

ample, special supply delivery points, with cabinets, chests and the like as necessary in every section for receiving and storing parts and materials. Indiscriminate dumping inevitably results in loss.

### SALVAGE

The extent of salvage operations depends upon the value of the part or item in relation to the cost of getting it out and, if necessary, reconditioning it. Expending \$2 of labor to recover something worth only \$1 in the first place is, of course, out of the question. However, in view of the cost of materials and supplies these days, a carefully considered salvage program can result in major savings.

Education is a major ingredient in an effective salvage operation. In other words, if men are encouraged to form the habit of picking up anything they see lying around and turning it in to a specific salvage station—on each section, for example—rather than walking by or, even worse, pitching things into the gob without thinking, the company benefits not only by the return of usable parts and materials but also from the scrap value of worn out items. Of course, each foreman should make it one item of business to check on loose and misplaced materials constantly.

Certain items lend themselves to the use of organized salvage crews—for example, crossbar and post recovery. Equipped with mobile pulling units involving wire lines, chain slings and winches, such crews can, where safety considerations permit, recover several times their wages in posts and bars—as well as ties, rails and so on. A few mines have even used mine-detector-type equipment to find carbon-dioxide coal-breaking shells, steel ties and like buried in loose coal or gob in working places.

A new trend which shows signs of growing is the formation of special salvage organizations. As an example, one company appointed an experienced mine superintendent as head of salvage, provided him with facilities at a worked-out mine and gave him final authority as whether a piece of equipment or a part should be rebuilt or finally junked. It expects a substantial saving per ton over the hit-or-miss program previously in force.

### Coal Age's Cost Cutting Series

With this article on supply costs, *Coal Age* concludes its current series of Special Reports on "Cost Cutting Today." Taken together, the 10 articles in the series offer a practical approach to lower operating costs through higher efficiency, by summarizing the basic underlying principles of modern coal mining practice and presenting specific examples of the application of those principles at actual mining properties.

Titles of the Cost Cutting Special Reports and their dates of appearance are:

*Cutting Cost—What's Needed . . . How to Do It*, January, 1953, p 70.

*Efficiency—Machine Made*, May, 1953, p 86.

*How to Use Modern Materials and Equipment*, July, 1953, p 66.

*Cutting Cost in Stripping*, September, 1953, p 72.

*Cost Cutting at the Face*, November, 1953, p 70.

*Cost Cutting Behind the Face*, January, 1954, p 54.

*How to Produce Quality Coal at Low Cost*, March, 1954, p 54.

*Cutting Cost With Safety*, May, 1954, p 70.

*Maintenance for Lower Cost*, July, 1954, p 50.

*Cutting Supply Cost*, September, 1954, p 70.





**MAIN-ENTRY BELT** at Peabody No. 10 travels 600 fpm, carrying 1,000 tph to 1,300-ton underground storage bin.

## How Modern Methods, Effective



**COAL CUTTING** to a depth of 9 ft is assigned to universal units. A horizontal cut is made below parting.

**UTILITY TRUCK** is used by fourth man of coal-breaking crew who services all air lines and performs other odd jobs.



**TWIN-BOOM DRILL** travels on self-propelled company-designed chassis. Three rows of holes are drilled per cut.

**HIGH-CAPACITY** loaders and shuttle cars are key equipment in maintaining consistently high output.







SHUTTLE BELT receives coal from main-entry unit and moves back and forth on rails while filling bin.

## Management, Creative Thinking Are Teamed to Mine 14,500 TPD

### Highlights at Peabody's Newest Plant:

Section crews average 800 to 900  
tons per shift

All-belt haulage handles 14,500 tpd  
in two shifts

1,300-ton underground bin smooths  
operation

Stimulation of ideas improves  
methods

Safety program makes employees  
safety conscious

Flexible preparation geared to mar-  
ket opportunities

### Typical successful ideas developed at Peabody No. 10 mine:

1. Metal stoppings save time
2. Crawler - mounted hoist moves  
equipment, recovers steel timbers
3. Rubber - mounted work bench  
easily moved

4. Converted elevator improves belt  
loading
5. Underground hoist handles pal-  
letized supplies
6. Steel doors easily installed

*A complete description of these and eight other "Operating Ideas" begins on p 92. —>*



MINE MAP for 14,500-ton belt operation. South half of property will be completely mined by this system, with north half

## How Peabody Coal Mines 14,500 TPD at New No. 10 Mine

By A. E. FLOWERS

Associate Editor, COAL AGE

NEWEST PLANT in a development and modernization program that began in 1947, Peabody Coal Co.'s No. 10 mine currently is producing 14,500 tons in a two-shift operation. In addition to installing all-belt haulage from the producing sections to the preparation plant, management has made an all-out effort to adopt equipment and methods designed to reduce human effort and up coal production. Results are reflected in a consistently high section output, which averages between 800 and 900 tons per shift.

Another accomplishment of an alert and progressive management is the continuing, day-to-day emphasis on increasing the output of the modern machinery in use, and on stimulating the development of new production ideas and short-cuts by all company personnel. In its policy of actively encouraging continued progress, the company is seeking to capitalize even more on its initial achievements of planning a modern mine, with methods and equipment carefully keyed to a lower-cost, high-tonnage operation. Typical examples of management's success in developing ideas for improving work methods are included in the group of 14 "Operating Ideas" described on pp 92-96.

Stuyvesant Peabody, Jr., is chairman of the board and O. Gressens is president of Peabody Coal Co., with headquarters in Chicago. H. C. McCollum, vice president, operations, also headquarters in Chicago. Directly in charge of production, with headquarters at Taylorville, Ill., is J. Craggs, field superintendent. Assisting him in carrying out his duties are Keith McCann, assistant field superintendent; L. H. Johnson, safety engineer; F. R. Buckley, preparation engineer; G. L. Morris, field mining engineer; and Fred Becker, field electrician. John Carney is superintendent at No. 10. Other staff members at No. 10 include: Leo Gilmartin, first-shift mine manager; Coil Whitlow, second-shift mine manager; John Danko, first-shift chief electrician; Jack Haffinger, second-shift chief electrician; J. Brasche, third-shift chief electrician; J. Sharp, first-shift top foreman; Lawrence Stringer, second-shift top foreman; C. C. Calvert, chief clerk; and R. K. Edwards, chief storekeeper.

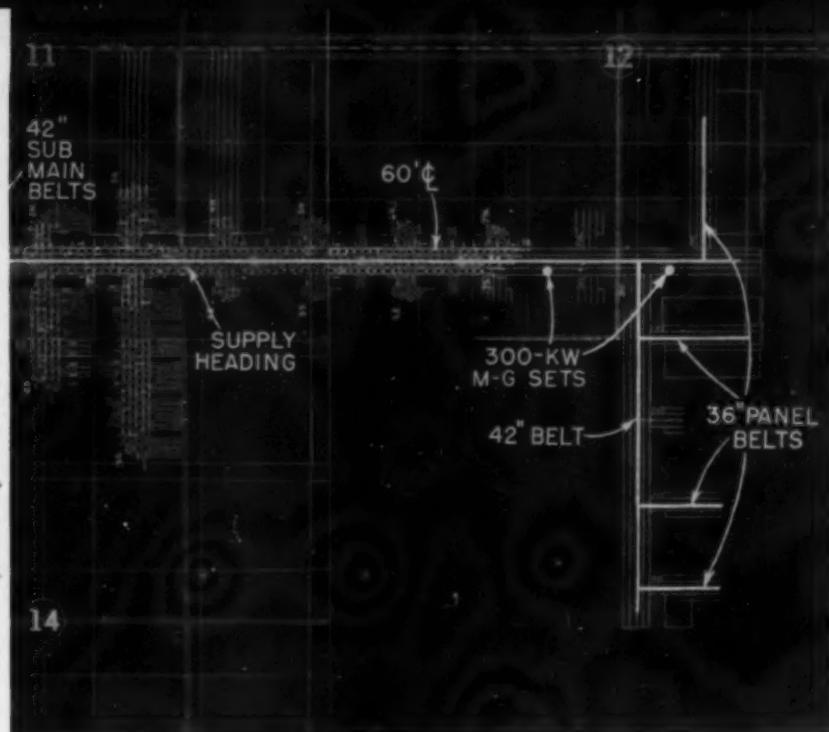
### OPENING THE MINE

A 65-ft deposit of water-bearing sand, gravel and clay posed some unusual engineering problems in developing the No. 10 openings. Peabody was determined to use a slope with belt haulage for coal rather than a conventional shaft with a skip. However, ventilation was to be de-

livered through a 15-ft-diameter reinforced-concrete-lined shaft 350 ft deep. Peabody consulted the Dravo Co., Pittsburgh, who proposed a practical method that would permit the slope to be sunk through the soft ground at a satisfactory cost. As a result, a contract for sinking the air shaft and that portion of the slope which would pass through soft ground was awarded to Dravo. A detailed description of the contract work appeared in *Coal Age*, August, 1952, p. 97.

Shaft sinking began in January, 1951, and the coal was reached 4 mo later. In June, 1951, Peabody took over the completed shaft and installed a temporary hoist and skips in preparation for developing the mine toward a 26-in borehole. Located 300 ft west of the air shaft, the hole had been drilled prior to the sinking of the shaft and had been grouted and cased. A temporary blower fan was placed over the hole and a stacker cage was installed to provide an emergency escapeway so that more than 20 men could be worked during the underground development period.

While driving to the 26-in hole, three 6-man crews were used. On reaching the hole, crews were enlarged and development was rushed toward a projected area where rock removed in excavating for the 1,300-ton bin and from driving the slope



kept as solid reserve for future development.

could be gobbled. In addition to eliminating the need for hoisting rock, the coal removed from the proposed gob area helped pay for the rock work.

After the point of intersection with the slope was reached, rock development work was started upward in the slope to meet the surface development. A Joy 11-BU loader and a 10-SC shuttle car were used for handling rock in the first 40 ft of development. The loader was then replaced with a Joy 3-drum slusher which was mounted on the head of a loader head which also served as a surge bin. Shortly thereafter, track was laid behind the slusher and a 42D shuttle car was converted to a track unit by replacing the regular wheels with 12-in mine-car wheels. A 2-drum 75-hp hoist was used to handle the shuttle car on the 16-deg slope. The slusher was anchored in successive loading positions by four 2½-in steel pins driven into the bottom.

After the slope had been driven upward 75 ft, a 6-ft glory hole was driven to connect the slope and coal level to speed rock handling. Track was extended over the hole to permit the shuttle car to dump into the 18-ft-deep hole which served as a surge bin. Rock loading on the coal level was facilitated by a counterweighted gate that could be opened by a shuttle car as it moved under the hole. A Joy 11-BU loader and a track-mounted shuttle car were used in the downward rock development from the surface and to the bottom of the bin.

As the slope was advanced, 120-

lb rails were set on 2-ft centers to support the roof. These were supported by 4x4-in oak timbers which rested on steel pins inserted in holes in the ribs. When the face advanced 100 ft, the rails were supported by center posts and permanent supports were installed. These consisted of 10-in H-beam stringers placed along each rib, and also 6 ft from the north rib, and supported on 8-ft centers by two 120-lb rails placed base to base. To keep the rails from digging into the bottom, a 1-ft-square piece of ½-in steel plate was placed under each pair of rails. To prevent the plate from slipping, two holes were drilled through each and 3 ft into the bottom. Steel pins were inserted in the holes and welded to the plates.

After the permanent supports were installed, an initial 2-in layer of sand-cement mixture was put on the roof and tie wires were placed in the soft material. After the first coat dried, 4x6-in-mesh reinforcing wire, 6-ft high, was attached to the ribs and a 3-in layer of sand-cement mixture was applied to roof and ribs.

Peabody's decision to use belt haulage at No. 10 for transporting coal from the producing areas to the preparation plant resulted from very successful previous experience with belts for intermediate haulage between shuttle cars and mine cars, and for slope haulage. While No. 10 was in the planning stage, management made a careful study of the practicability of all-belt haulage for a 14,500-ton mine. Comparative cost estimates

were made for installing, maintaining and depreciating various haulage systems that incorporated belt conveyors in various degrees. Although the all-belt system required a higher capital investment, management felt that the advantages of such a system far outweighed the disadvantage of the initial investment.

Six reasons pointed out by Peabody for selecting the all-belt system are:

1. Higher output because of uninterrupted haulage.
2. Fewer accidents compared to track haulage.
3. Less manpower to produce the tonnage desired.
4. Less deadwork for grading, timbering and roof brushing than with high-speed track haulage.
5. More efficient handling of men and supplies because of an independent haulage system.
6. Greater concentration of mining with resulting greater efficiency and economy.

#### MINING CONDITIONS

Mining is in the Illinois No. 6 seam which lies 350 ft below the surface and averages 7½ ft thick. Overlying the coal is a 1- to 6-in layer of friable shale locally called clod. Above the clod is either limestone or a 3- to 6-ft layer of shale which forms the normal mine roof. The seam is underlain by fireclay. In some areas, the roof shale is covered by a water-bearing sandstone and in others by limestone. Roof-bolting is practiced where the limestone overlies the shale but is not practicable where the water-bearing sandstone is present. Where limestone is immediately over the coal, only straight posts are needed. A thin band of rock, about 24 in above the floor, is present in the coal throughout the mine.

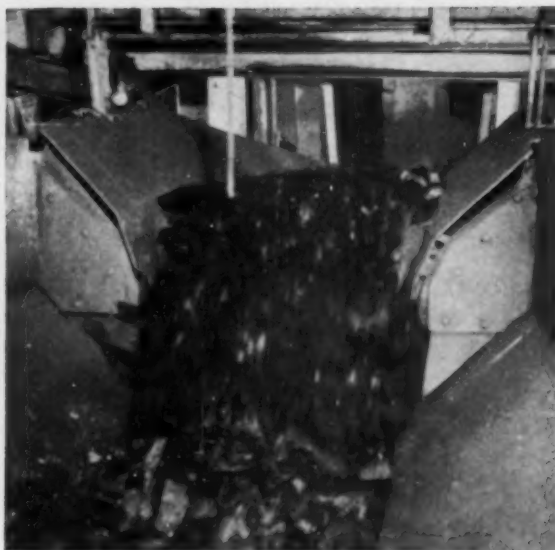
#### HOW THE MINE IS LAID OUT

The main slope and air shaft are approximately in the middle of a 5x8-mi rectangular block of coal with its major axis running north and south. After laying out the mine projections, Peabody management decided to develop main entries initially in a southerly direction only from the main openings. Thus the property would be divided into an active developing and producing area in the south and a solid reserve territory in the north for future development. By adopting this plan, management felt that mining would be concentrated better and maximum efficiency could be obtained from the belt conveyors. Further, management saw that by concentrating mining in one area, future installations of man portals and air





**ROOM-PANEL BELT** handles output from two production units. Turning chute loads sub-main belt parallel to travel.



**SPEEDUP BELT** under bin was included in haulage system to reduce damage to slope belt at the loading point.



**END LOADING** on panel belts centers coal and prevents spillage that results from off-center loading.



**BELT REPAIR** is handled in section of surface shop where factory-type vulcanizing job is done.

shafts would be much easier to plan.

In accordance with the original plan, eight 14-ft headings on 70-ft centers were driven south 1,100 ft. At this point, sub-main entries were turned east and west with five headings on 60-ft centers. These were rushed to their projected limits of 8,000 ft to the east and 9,200 ft to the west to permit room entries delivering coal to the inby belt to be mined as quickly as possible. This will permit recovery of a complete belt conveyor for development of the second set of sub mains. These new sub

mains recently have been necked by the main-entry crew which has continued to drive the main headings.

Room panels are developed north and south off the sub mains to a depth of approximately 1,800 ft with five headings on 60-ft centers. Standard practice is to advance the headings to where Room 15 is projected to be turned and then add a second production unit to start mining rooms. Starting on the return-air side of the panel, the second unit mines rooms in groups of six. Rooms are 26 to 30 ft wide and are driven 300 ft deep.

Between each group of rooms, a solid block of coal 70 ft thick is left to provide additional roof support. When the development crew reaches the entry limit, it starts mining rooms on the opposite side of the entry until new entry development is needed. This method of mining permits rapid extraction and mine roof does not have time to deteriorate. A set of six rooms is mined out in 7 work days.

#### **ALL-BELT HAULAGE**

Twenty belts ranging from 36 to 60 in in width, and up to 5,000 ft in





**MAIN-SLOPE BELT** is designed to handle 1,000 tph on a 16-deg slope.

length, are linked together in the No. 10 coal-haulage system. Ten 36-in Jeffrey units powered by 50-hp 250-v DC General Electric motors are available for handling the coal in the room panels. One of these units, traveling 400 fpm, can carry the output from two loading units. Panel belts are extended to a maximum of 1,800 ft.

The room-panel belts discharge onto 42-in Joy conveyors in the east and west sub mains. In the east are 3,000- and 5,000-ft conveyors, and in the west are 3,000-, 4,000- and 2,500-ft units. All are tandem drives, powered by 150-hp 4,160-v AC Allis-Chalmers motors. Intermediate sections are 8 ft long and are knock-down type specially designed for Peabody. They are reported to be the first knock-down sections made in such large units.

East and west sub mains are offset 25 ft to permit smooth transfer of coal to the 48-in Joy belt in the main entry. Both sub-main belts discharge onto a 50-ft 48-in Joy transfer belt which in turn delivers the combined load to the main 48-in belt. The transfer belt absorbs the impact from the falling coal and permits the coal to come to rest before it is transferred to the main belt. The transfer unit is powered by a 20-hp 440-v Allis-Chalmers motor.

To change the direction of flow of the 42-in units and load the speedup belt parallel to the direction of travel, turning chutes are fitted to the ends of the sub-main belts. A bar screen is built into the lower end of the chutes to permit the fines to pass through to the transfer belt first and

cushion the lumps as they are loaded.

The first 48-in main-entry belt is 1,100 ft long, travels 600 fpm, and is driven by a 150-hp 2,300-v AC Allis-Chalmers motor. The second main-entry conveyor is 3,700 ft long and is driven by two 150-hp 2,300-v Allis-Chalmers motors.

Coal from the main-south belt is distributed into a 1,300-ton concrete bin by a track-mounted 60-in shuttle belt powered by a 25-hp 440-v Allis-Chalmers motor. This 90-ft conveyor is moved back and forth over the bin from a central control panel located near the center of the bin. One man operates the shuttle belt and starts the underground system from this control center.

The 1,300-ton hopper provides surge capacity between the underground belt system and the preparation plant and permits either to operate independently of the other.

Two Syntron vibrators transfer coal from the bin to a 48-in Joy Speedup belt which discharges onto the main 48-in Joy slope conveyor. The 50-ft speedup unit is driven by a 40-hp 440-v Allis-Chalmers motor. Rate of feed to the speedup conveyor is controlled from the preparation plant. Although the speedup belt is not necessary in the belt system, it was installed to reduce damage to the main-slope conveyor at the loading point. To further protect the slope belt, pneumatic impact idlers were installed at the loading point.

The main slope belt is designed to carry 1,200 tph of coal up a 16-deg slope for a distance of 1,729 ft, with a vertical lift of 475 ft. To handle this assignment, it is equipped with a modified dual-tandem drive operated through Jones speed reducers powered by three 2,300-v 250-hp Allis-Chalmers motors. The coal carrying job in the slope is handled by a Goodyear steel-cable belt.

A nylon-cord emergency-stop line is installed along the belt to permit stopping or starting from any point along the line. The belt also has a fire-protection line with fuse links at regular intervals. If heat should melt one of the links, the belt would stop and could not be started until the link had been repaired.

#### INSTALLING THE BELTS

Realizing that flow of coal to the preparation plant depends upon how well the belt conveyors do their jobs, Peabody places special emphasis on proper installation and operation. Particular care is taken in installing the main and sub main units.

The first step in installing a sub main or main belt is to establish a

sight line for the drive and conveyor line. Next, excavations are made for concrete foundations for the drive and tail pulley. Included in these foundations are H beams to which the drive and tail pulley are securely attached after they have been aligned properly. While the foundations are being prepared, conveyor parts are distributed along the heading for speedy assembly after the drive and tail pulley are in position.

A typical belt installation with 1,500 ft of conveyor and belt requires the following labor:

Drilling and shooting for drive and tail pulley, 8 man-shifts.

Loading rock from shot area, 4 man-shifts.

Building forms and pouring foundations, 16 man-shifts.

Making electrical connections, 5 man-shifts.

Setting drive and 1,500 ft of conveyor, 129 man-shifts.

To keep shuttle-car haulage distance as short as possible, the 36-in panel belts are extended to as near the face as possible. Conveyor extensions are made on the third shift by a 6-man crew that can make a 150-ft extension in 6 hr. A 6-man crew sets all 42-in drives on the first shift.

Evidence of the thorough job of installation is the fact that all 42- and 48-in belts operate without training idlers, and it has never been necessary to clean up spillage along the main belt since it was installed.

#### CONTROLLING THE BELTS

All belts are interlocked and starting is in sequence through a system of centrifugal switches. Controls are designed to permit belts to be operated in sequence, out of sequence for maintenance or inspection, or locked out.

Belt controllers are provided with fuse short-circuit protection, thermal overload protection and acceleration control. Protection against belt slippage is provided by a control operated by a centrifugal switch that cuts off the power if the belt does not come up to full speed within a predetermined time interval.

To permit emergency stopping of belts, an emergency-stop circuit is installed along the rib parallel to the belt. The safety line is made up of 250-ft sections of No. 14 rubber-covered Tires cable with 2-conductor Miller plugs vulcanized on each end. To stop a conveyor, the line is disconnected at one of the plugs and cannot be restarted until the plugs have been rejoined. There are no switches in the line.

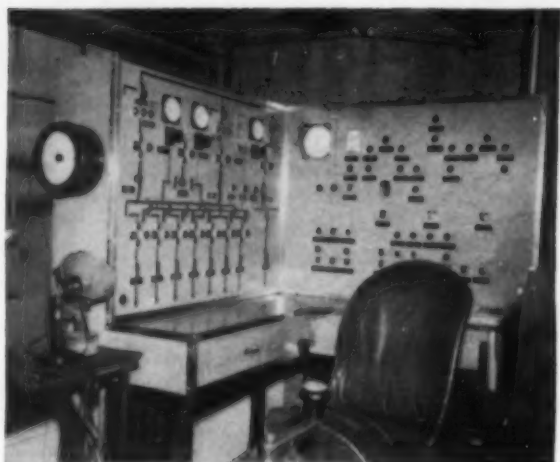
Other protective devices include



**INCOMING POWER** at 34,000 v is stepped down for company needs by these three sets of primary transformers.



**PROTECTION** of high-voltage circuits to underground sub-stations and belt drives is provided by these units.



**CENTRAL PANEL BOARD** in hoist house permits hoist man to disconnect all power by pushing two buttons.



**PILOT CAR** with automatic magnetic track-shoe brakes leads man-trip cars down slope. Unit also has radio phone.



**PEABODY OFFICIALS** include: L. H. "Hap" Johnson, safety engineer; J. Craggs, field superintendent; Frank White, former vice president, operations; John Carney, superintendent; and Leo Gilmartin, mine manager.



**PROTECTIVE SWITCH** in 4,160-v line permits isolation of one part of mine if necessary.

paddle switches to prevent coal pile up at discharge or transfer points and limit switches to prevent belt pile up if a belt should break.

In addition to electrical and mechanical protection, fire protection is provided for all belts. Along each conveyor is a 2-in fire line with valves and 100 ft of hose at 200-ft intervals. All hoses are equipped with fog nozzles and water pressure is maintained at 150 psi. An Ansul 20B fire extinguisher is kept at each belt drive, and bags of rock dust are stored at regular intervals along the conveyors.

#### SUPPLY HANDLING

Since haulage distances at Peabody No. 10 eventually will extend several miles, supplies and materials are handled over an independent track system. Flexibility possible with off-track supply equipment is sacrificed for greater speed in getting the men to and from the work areas. Keeping travel time to a minimum will become increasingly important as the mining moves farther away from the slope bottom.

An Allis-Chalmers hoist equipped with a 1½-in 6x19 Macwhyte rope lowers men to the slope bottom in two specially designed Sanford-Day man-trip cars with a combined capacity of 80 men. Coupled to the cars and leading them down the slope is a control car permanently attached to the hoist rope. The control car has five seats and space for carrying small tools or supplies. It also is equipped with an MRS radio permitting communication between the hoist engineer or the man stationed at the bottom of the slope. Protection against overspeed is provided by an automatic magnetic-shoe track brake which also may be operated manually from the car. There are six shoes, normally supported on springs and held ¾ in above the rail. When the solenoids are energized the shoes are forced to the rail. Energy for the brake is supplied by a 32-v battery.

At the slope bottom, men are transferred to all-steel man-trip cars with insulated roofs and automatic couplings. Men and supply trips are handled by Goodman 8-ton trolley locomotives. All supplies are distributed by a 4-man crew, which also is responsible for man-trips.

As far as practicable, supplies are packaged on pallets or in bundles that can be handled with a minimum of effort and time. Flat-bed supply cars with removable stakes are loaded on the surface and are directed to their destination by the bottom man.

Supply tracks terminate immediately in the mouths of room entries

where supplies are transferred to battery-powered shuttle cars for distribution in the work area. To transfer pallets to shuttle cars, a 1-ton Yale electric hoist mounted on a monorail bolted to the roof is installed at each transfer point. Supplies are distributed in the working area as requested by the foreman on his daily order slip.

#### HOW THE COAL IS MINED

The production assignment at No. 10 is handled by eight face units operating two shifts per day. Each section is equipped with a Joy 11-BU loader, 10-RU cutter, two 10-SC shuttle cars, two twin-boomed Dooley 580 drills mounted on company-designed frames, and a company-designed utility truck. The coal drill also is used to drill holes for roof bolts. Where roof bolting cannot be practiced, company-designed timber setters are assigned to the section. Recently, a self-propelled rubber-mounted twin-boom chain-feed Joy CD42 hydraulic drill equipped with a 9-ft auger was installed in one section to permit a blasthole to be drilled without stopping to add an auger section. Drills are equipped with Coal-master and Dooley 2¼-in augers and Vascoloy-Ramet carbide bits.

Coal is cut horizontally to a depth of 9 ft about 15 in above the floor and immediately below the rock parting. Cutting machines are equipped with Prox chains and bits, and 1/0 cables. As many as 40 places are cut per shift in 14-ft headings, and 25 in 26- to 30-ft rooms. To allay dust during the cutting cycle, each machine is equipped with a Gorman-Rupp centrifugal pump which delivers 10 gpm at 60 psi to the sprays on cutter bars. Eleven holes are drilled in 14-ft headings and 16 are drilled in 26- to 30-ft rooms. Coal is broken on shift with Airdox at 10,000 psi. Three men handle the coal-breaking job and a fourth man, equipped with a 3-wheeled battery-powered truck, extends and services the Airdox lines. Two air lines are installed in each working place to speed coal breaking.

Output from loading units has been consistently high, averaging between 800 and 900 tons per shift. Management emphasizes that excellent cooperation from all employees has played a large part in maintaining this consistently high output.

Section personnel is as follows: 1 section foreman; 1 belt-cleanup man; 2 timbermen; 1 repairman; 1 wireman; 1 Airdox man; 3 shooters; 1 brattice man; 1 clod man; 2 cutting-machine men; 2 loading-machine men; 2 shuttle-car operators; 4 drillers; a total of 22.

#### ROOF CONTROL

Because of the variation in the character of the roof, support methods are selected to best suit local conditions. The soft clod over the coal always is taken down before roof support of any type is installed. Where the coal is overlain with shale, which is under limestone, 4-, 5- and 6-ft West Virginia Steel expansion-type ¾-in roof bolts are installed on 4-ft centers. Expansion shells are supplied by the Ohio Brass Co. and bearing plates are purchased from various steel manufacturers as a by-product and at considerable savings. A 2x12x18-in oak header is installed with each roof bolt. Regular tests are made with a torque wrench to assure that bolts are being tightened properly and frequent tests are made with a pulling device to determine how well bolts are holding.

Where the immediate shale roof is covered by a water-bearing sandstone, roof-bolting is not practicable. In these areas, steel rails are set on 5-ft centers with straight posts for support. If the clod is overlain with limestone, straight posts usually are sufficient to hold the roof.

A special recovery crew, consisting of three men and a foreman, recover steel rails and roof bolts from mined-out areas. These men are experts in their jobs and recover enough material to more than pay their wages. When these men are recovering rails, they use a crawler-mounted hoist and shuttle car to reduce human effort to a minimum. Rails are pulled with aid of a wire rope and when three or four are on the mine floor, they are tied together with the hoist rope and pulled into the shuttle car. To make the loading operation as simple as possible, the hoist rope is passed over the shuttle car, which is positioned between the hoist and the rails, and is looped around the group of rails. As the rails are pulled toward the hoist, they are lifted into the shuttle car with little or no help from the men. Recovered rails are hauled to one of the electric hoists and transferred to a supply car for delivery to an active section.

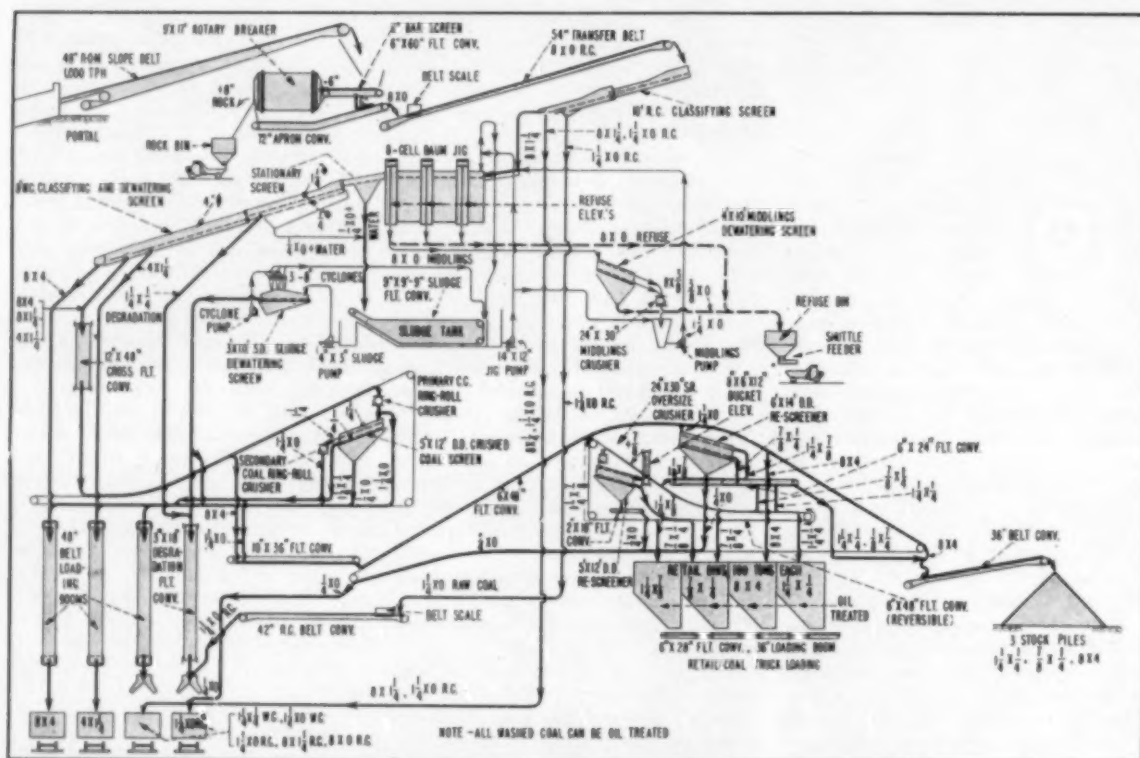
#### MAINTENANCE

Continuous rebuilding is the foundation of No. 10 maintenance. A loader, cutter and shuttle car are in the shop for rebuilding at all times. Shop maintenance is handled by nine men on the day shift and six on the second shift. In addition to conventional shop equipment, there is a belt-repair area where belts up to 48-in wide can be repaired and vulcanized. Two men on the first and third shifts





**PREPARATION PLANT** has 1,000-tph capacity and features jig washing of  $8 \times 1\frac{1}{4}$ , oil treating and facilities to permit coal to be loaded into railroad cars, delivered to storage bins or stockpiled.



**HOW COAL IS PROCESSED** in the modern, flexible cleaning plant at Peabody No. 10.

are assigned to belt maintenance. The third-shift crew repairs any cleaning-plant belts which cannot be fixed while the plant is running.

Underground maintenance is carried out 24 hr per day. On each of the two production shifts one repair-

man is assigned to each loading unit to handle day-to-day repairs. In addition, three men are stationed at the intersection of the main and sub-main belts. On the first shift these men check all belt controls and substations, after which they are available for spot

assignments. On the second shift they are assigned to work on face equipment as needed. One repairman and one greaser are assigned to each section on the third shift.

A system of rigid inspection and effective belt maintenance has paid off



at Peabody. Management reports that as a result of the program they never have had a piece of belt wear out in the Taylorville division.

Here's how the system works. As an entry retreats, all sections of belt are inspected as they are recovered and wound on spools, and are marked for reuse or repair. Rolls marked for reuse are stored at a central location while those needing repairs are taken to the surface for vulcanizing. At the belt-repair center, each section of belt is examined thoroughly on a work table and damaged places are prepared for vulcanizing. If the fabric is damaged, it is replaced before new rubber is added. Cold neoprene sometimes is used to repair small cuts and minor damage to the belt edge. Each piece of belt is numbered and an accurate record is kept of the maintenance cost of each. Before underground belts are joined with Flexco splices, the ends of the belt are sealed with liquid neoprene to prevent moisture from attacking the fabric.

#### POWER

Power is delivered to the mine site by the Central Illinois Public Service Co. at 34,000 v, and is stepped down to 2,300 v by two banks of 1,500-kva Allis-Chalmers transformers, and to 12,000 v by a 3,000-kva unit. The 2,300-v circuit serves the preparation plant, hoist, slope belt, Airdox compressor station underground, mother belt and shop. The circuits are laid out so that any one unit can be operated separately. A 12,000-v line leads to two 1,500-kva transformers where it is further reduced to 4,160 v for transmission to the mine substations and belt drives through boreholes.

All surface power lines leading from the main transformer station are Okonite neoprene-covered cables and are buried in the ground in Transite pipe. Power is carried underground by two 250,000-cir mil Simplex and Hazard Type SHD cables.

The transformers at the top of the boreholes have delta primary and wye secondary with neutral grounded through a limiting resistance. If a ground occurs, the limiting resistance permits a maximum of 200 amp to flow and a General Electric IAC relay operates to break the circuit after 1½ sec.

After power enters the mine, it flows through 300-amp General Electric disconnect switches and a series of five IAC relays before reaching the belt drives and m-g sets. The first relay in by the disconnects is set at 1 sec and the remainder are set at ½ sec.

To insure continuous power for conveyors and mining equipment, two

4,160-v 350,000-cir mil cables are carried to the m-g sets. These are installed in the supply heading in 1,000-ft lengths and are connected with G. & W. Specialty Co. junction boxes. By using a 500-ft length as the first section of one of the cables, junction boxes are staggered at 500-ft intervals, and thus substations can be moved up without additional junction boxes. A G. & W. load-break switch, set at 300 amp, is installed approximately at the midpoint of each cable to permit operation of part of the mine if trouble should develop in by the breaker.

Seven General Electric 300-kw skid-mounted m-g sets provide 270-v DC power for the face equipment. These units have automatic time-clock controls that disconnect the stations at the end of the second shift and restart them at the beginning of the first shift. Timing devices can be set a week ahead if desired.

A 1,000,000-cir mil DC circuit leads to the mouth of each room panel where it is divided into two 500,000-cir mil circuits carried forward in separate headings adjacent to the belt heading. A tie line at every seventh room connects the two circuits to permit operation of the equipment in event of trouble in a section served by one of the branches. Facilities are provided to isolate east, west and south sections without interfering with the others.

#### SAFETY STRESSED

"If it's not the safe way, it's not the right way." That's how L. H. "Hap" Johnson, safety engineer, summed up Peabody's philosophy toward safety. To keep all employees safety conscious, Peabody carries out a continuous program that includes meetings, safety training and adequate supplies and equipment. The company is an active member of the National Safety Council and displays all posters in prominent places to remind men to work safely.

Daily, weekly and monthly safety meetings are held to maintain interest at a high level. Mine management has daily safety meetings with mine foremen at the beginning of each work shift. These last about 20 min, during which time re-ent accidents and hazards are discussed and methods of preventing them are developed.

On the first work day of each week, every section foreman holds a 5- to 15-min meeting in his section to discuss the hazards there and to alert his men to the hazards discussed in the daily foremen's meeting. Crew members are encouraged to participate in these meetings and they usually do. Additional meetings are held as needed.

Once each month all supervisory personnel meet with the field superintendent at the mine office to discuss safety problems.

Firm believers that training improves safety and increases efficiency, Peabody currently is carrying out a program aimed at 100% training in the U. S. Bureau of Mines accident-prevention course, which is carried out with co-operation of representatives of the Illinois Department of Mines & Minerals. Representatives of the two organizations and Peabody participate at all meetings. All foremen already have been trained in the U. S. Bureau of Mines 40-hr safety course for supervisors. Largely as a result of the intensive training program, there has been a marked improvement in Peabody's safety record. The accident frequency rate has been reduced 13.3% and the severity rate has been slashed 50.0%.

All foremen and miners have been trained in first aid and there is a first-aid team at each mine. To keep interest in first aid at a high level, a team is entered in the national first-aid contest each year. In addition to the first-aid work, Peabody keeps 60 men trained in mine rescue and recovery work. Adequate first-aid supplies are kept at all foreman stations, and a supply of self-rescuers and all-service gas masks are located in each sub-main entry.

Fire-fighting equipment has been installed throughout the mine to handle any emergency that might arise. A 2-in water fire line with valves and 100 ft of hose at 200-ft intervals is installed along each belt. Water pressure is maintained at 150 psi and all hoses are equipped with fog nozzles. All cutting machines are equipped with Ansul dry-chemical fire extinguishers, and at each belt head, m-g set and foreman's station there is an Ansul 20B extinguisher. Shuttle cars and supply locomotives carry two 50-lb bags of rock dust at all times and a supply of rock dust is kept at all doors, m-g sets and at regular intervals along all belts. A reserve supply of 20 bags is stored at each foreman's station.

Trailing cables are protected with fused nips and are inspected regularly by the section repairman and the maintenance foreman. To assure that there are no undetected hazards, all belt conveyors are inspected at the end of each work shift after they have been stopped.

Effective control of coal dust is another part of Peabody's safety program. Believing that the best place to control dust is where it is generated, management concentrates its efforts in those places. Good cleanup at the face



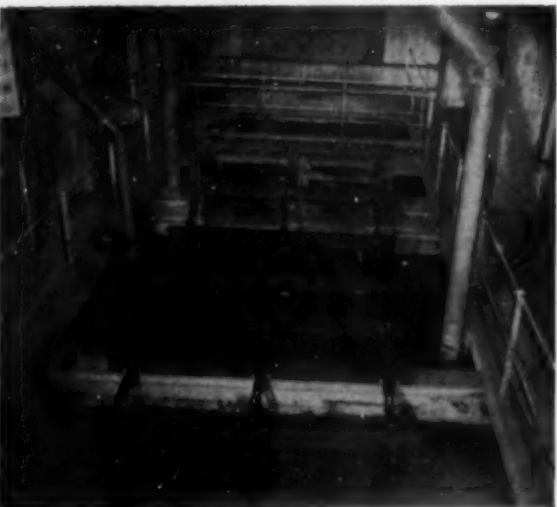
**JIG** separates 8x1½ into clean coal, middlings and refuse. Middlings are crushed to 1½x0 and recirculated to jig.



**SECONDARY CRUSHER** is a ring-roll unit that reduces the oversize from the primary crusher to 1½x0.



**CRUSHED-COAL VIBRATOR** separates primary crusher product into plus 1½, 1½x1½ and 1½x0 sizes.



**SLUDGE TANK** receives 1½x0 and water from washed-coal screen. Flight conveyor removes coal which is recovered.

is stressed so that there is as little coal as possible left on the mine floor. Dust on shuttle-car roads is controlled by application of calcium chloride supplied by the Dow Chemical Co. All cutting machines are equipped with sprays to allay the dust during the cutting cycle, and automatically controlled sprays are installed at all transfer points in the belt system. The automatic units deliver water only when coal is on the belt. In addition to the sprays, the main transfer point is enclosed with water-saturated jute brattice cloth to prevent dust from spreading and contaminating rock dust.

To reduce accidents resulting from

roof falls, inspecting and sounding mine roof have been integrated in the work cycle. Each foreman carries a sounding rod and tests all roadways one in each cycle of operations. Face workers also inspect and test the roof before starting any work.

For detecting methane, section foremen carry ¾-size Wolf safety lamps and workmen are supplied with full-size Koehler lamps.

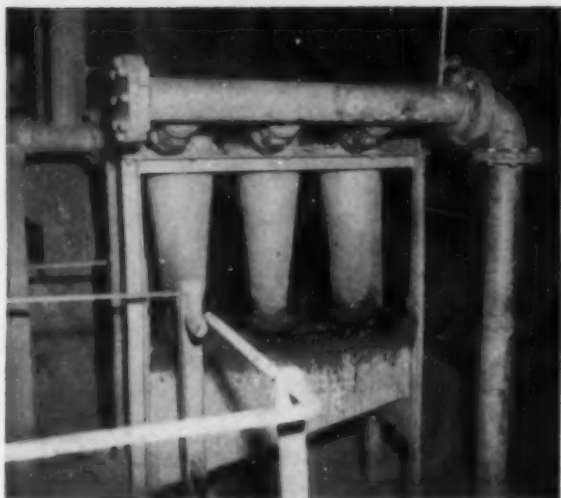
Western Electric telephones are installed underground at all foreman stations, belt heads, at the slope bottom, and at the foot of the air shaft. All motors are equipped with Mines Radio Service trolley phones, and additional sets are installed at the slope

bottom, intersection of the main and sub-main belts, underground bin and in the hoist house. Sound-powered telephones, supplied by the U. S. Instrument Corp., are installed at the top and bottom of the underground bin, in the hoist house and in the preparation plant.

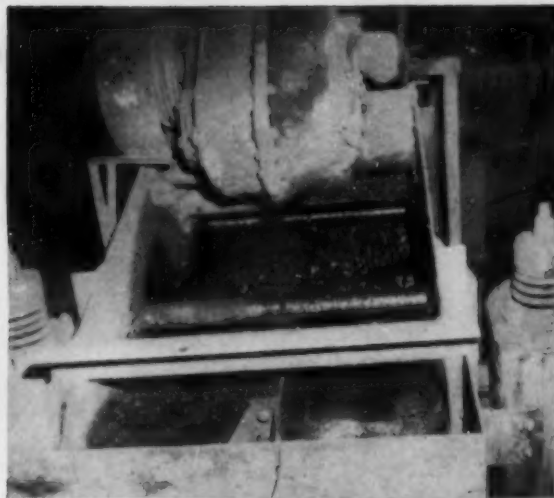
#### VENTILATION

Air is supplied by a 6-ft Jeffrey Aerodyne fan delivering 150,000 cfm of air at a water gage of 2½ in. A 100-hp 2,300-v Westinghouse motor drives the fan and a fully automatic auxiliary gasoline drive is kept in readiness in the event of a power failure.

Air is conducted into the mine



**CYCLONES** in series are used to clarify water from the sludge dewatering screen.



**SLUDGE DEWATERING SCREEN** is divided into sections to handle  $\frac{1}{4} \times 0$  from drag tank and underflow from cyclones.

through a 19-ft-diameter air shaft and returns to the surface through the slope. From the bottom of the shaft, the air flows south in four of the main-south headings to the intersection with the first east and first west submains, where it is divided into five splits. Two currents ventilate the west sub main, two the east sub main and one the main south development area. A minimum of 9,000 cfm of air is maintained in each of the last open breakthroughs in active areas. All abandoned room panels are sealed and samples of air are taken regularly.

#### **DRAINAGE**

Automatic handling of water through a system of pumps operated by float switches is another way Peabody No. 10 conserves manpower. Gathering pumps consisting of four 4x5 and one 4x4 Deming Oil-Rite and three Gorman-Rupp self-priming centrifugal pumps, deliver water to a 1,500-gal sump at the slope bottom. A Gardner-Denver double-acting reciprocating pump, powered by a 20-hp 440-v AC motor and controlled by a float switch, delivers water to the surface through a 3-in line.

#### **PREPARATION**

Preparation facilities at Peabody No. 10, designed by Roberts & Schaefer, are geared to process 1,000 tph of Illinois No. 6 coal. Features of the plant include jig washing, oil treating and flexibility that permits coal to be loaded in railroad cars, delivered to four storage bins that serve retail customers, or stockpiled on the ground.

The main slope belt discharges onto a bar screen separating the coal into plus 6 in and 6x0 sizes. The larger size

is delivered to a 9x17 Bradford breaker with 8-in openings. Plus 8-in material passes to a rock bin and is removed to a refuse-disposal area by a 10-ton Euclid truck. An apron conveyor carries the 8x0 to a 54-in transfer belt where coal is weighed by a Weightometer before it is separated into 8x1 $\frac{1}{4}$  and 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x0 on the raw-coal classifying screen. The 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x0 is directed to a 42-in belt and weighed by a Weightometer as it is carried to railroad cars.

The 8x1 $\frac{1}{4}$  goes to an 8-cell 3-compartment Jeffrey Baum jig and is separated into clean coal, middlings and refuse. Refuse is delivered to the refuse bin and middlings are dewatered and separated into 8x $\frac{3}{4}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$ x0 on a 4x10-ft dewatering screen. The larger middlings are broken to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x0 by a Jeffrey Flextooth crusher and recirculated to the jig, and the  $\frac{3}{4}$ x0 is sent to refuse.

Clean 8x1 $\frac{1}{4}$  flows over a stationary screen that removes part of the  $\frac{1}{4}$ x0 degradation and water, and then is delivered to the washed-coal shaking screen where it is split into 8x4, 4x1 $\frac{1}{4}$ , 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ x0 sizes. The three larger sizes are loaded into railroad cars by 48-in adjustable loading booms. Each boom is equipped with Viking hot-oil sprays for treating washed coal according to customers needs. Coal is sprayed in suspension with 1,000-viscosity Standard oil.

All 8x1 $\frac{1}{4}$  washed coal may be placed on a 12x48 2-compartment mixing conveyor and delivered to an American Pulverizer ring-roll crusher for reduction to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x0. This product may be returned to the bottom strand of the mixing conveyor and delivered to railroad cars, or may be deposited on a 5x12 double-deck Ripl-Flo vi-

brator for rescreening into plus 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ , 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ x0. Plus 1 $\frac{1}{4}$  is broken to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x0 in a secondary ring-roll crusher and delivered to the mixing conveyor for delivery to railroad cars.

The  $\frac{1}{4}$ x0 from the stationary and classifying screens flows to a sludge tank where solids are concentrated and removed to a sump by a drag conveyor. A 4x3 sludge pump delivers the  $\frac{1}{4}$ x0 to one section of a 3x10-single-deck Low-Head screen equipped with Bixby Zimmer stainless-steel screen. Underflow from this section of the screen is pumped to three Heyl & Patterson 8-in cyclones where solids are removed and directed to the other section of the dewatering vibrator. Cone overflow goes either to the sludge tank or to a settling pond. Dewatered fines are deposited on a 3x18 degradation flight conveyor, along with the 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x $\frac{1}{4}$  from the classifying screen, to be mixed with raw 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x0 and loaded as utility coal.

To serve the retail market with four sizes of oil-treated washed coal, a retail-coal section was incorporated in the plant. This section includes facilities for rescreening washed 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x0 into 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x $\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$ x $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ x0; a crusher for reducing 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x $\frac{3}{4}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$ x0; a second vibrator for sizing  $\frac{3}{4}$ x0 into  $\frac{3}{4}$ x $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ x0; four 100-ton storage bins; and a stacker belt for transferring coal to stockpiles.

During the heating season when retail business is at a peak, bins are kept full and additional coal is stockpiled on the ground. The stacker belt is adjustable vertically and horizontally and is used to transfer 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ x $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$ x $\frac{1}{4}$  and 8x4 sizes to separate piles. A Hough Payloader is used to load trucks with coal from the stockpile.



# "Ideas" Keynote Better Mining

These 14 "Operating Ideas" developed on the job at Peabody No. 10 are typical results of management's continued emphasis on increasing efficiency combined with active encouragement of productive ideas from all employees.

## Rubber-Mounted Work Bench Easily Moved



TO HELP maintenance men do a better job, this rubber-mounted supply and work center was developed. Built on a farm-wagon chassis, one of these units is assigned to each loading unit and is kept close to the active working areas. In addition to providing repairmen with a place to work more efficiently, they carry a supply of fast moving repair parts in the small bins and drawers in the middle of the bench. Beneath the work bench and parts areas are built-in cabinets for tools and larger items. A steel sled with drums of lubricants is kept with the unit. Both the portable work center and the sled can be towed easily by a loading machine or shuttle car.

## Converted Elevator Improves Belt Loading

CENTERING COAL on belt conveyors is a fetish at Peabody No. 10 and pays off in good belt training and a minimum of spillage. To permit coal from two sections to be loaded simultaneously on one belt without spillage, Joy PL11 elevating conveyors were converted into special belt loaders. These units permit shuttle cars to unload faster and load coal onto the belt parallel to the direction of travel.

Changes made to the original elevators include mounting a turning chute on the discharge end, shortening the slope and overhang sections, mounting on rubber tires and balancing so that they can be moved easily by a shuttle car. The original motor, speed reducer and conveyor chain were used on the remodeled units.







## Hoist Moves Equipment, Recovers Steel Timbers

MOVING BELT DRIVES to new locations is a comparatively easy job with the aid of this crawler-mounted hoist. The unit also makes possible the economical recovery of steel-rail crossbars from worked out areas.

A Joy 11-BU loader was stripped to the frame, and a winch and back gearing from a Brown-Fayro hoist was adapted to the loader frame. The hoist is driven through the front clutch of the loader and handles 400 ft of  $\frac{3}{4}$ -in rope. A heavy steel support was welded to the front of the loader frame to brace the loader and prevent tipping when there is a heavy load on the rope. The support normally barely clears the mine floor.



## Company-Designed Machine Handles Steel Timber

SETTING 90- and 110-lb steel-rail crossbars is done safely and quickly with the help of this 3-wheeled rubber-mounted hydraulically powered timbering machine. Features of the machine include: (1) a hydraulic lift powered by a rear-conveyor jack from a Joy 5-BU loader; (2) a 22-in hydraulically powered cutoff saw designed so the operator must use both hands to start it and have the guard in the proper position; and (3) hydraulic steering and tramming. Power for the hydraulic system is supplied by a 10-hp motor similar to the pump motor on a 10-SC shuttle car. The machine was built to Peabody's specifications by the Manson Machine Co., Taylorville, Ill.

## Bulkhead Eases Door Opening

OPENING a mine door against high air pressure was a hard job at Peabody No. 10 until Leo Gilmartin, mine manager, conceived the idea of inserting a bulkhead-type seal that could be opened easily to release the pressure on the door. This two-section all steel door with a bulkhead was built and installed as a result of his suggestion.

To open the bulkhead, the wheel is turned counter clockwise until the square seal has been moved back several inches. Sufficient air then flows through the opening to permit the door to be opened easily.



## Locomotive Is Better Ambulance



BETTER AND FASTER handling of injured personnel is possible with this underground ambulance built in the No. 10 shop. Product of ideas contributed by the staff of No. 10, the unit is equipped with first-aid supplies for treating any injury, a stretcher, an MRS radio telephone, and a siren and blinking red light to warn other transportation units to yield the right of way. The ambulance is painted white for easy identification and has three red crosses on each side.

A 5-ton General Electric battery locomotive was remodeled and converted to a trolley unit by removing the batteries, connecting the motors in series and adding the trolley pole. L. H. "Hap" Johnson, safety engineer, shown in the operator's position, points out that injured workers receive a much smoother and safer ride in this ambulance than in a lighter unit because it has the weight to hug the road and is spring mounted. Another advantage is that it will pass through spring-latch switches without danger of derailing.



### Built-In Charger Serves Shuttle Car

TO ELIMINATE the problem of handling batteries or driving supply shuttle cars to a charging station, a compact charger was designed and installed on the cars to permit charging from any underground DC power source. Battery-powered cars work in scattered areas and driving the cars to a central point for changing or charging batteries would have consumed considerable time. The built-in unit was developed to eliminate this problem.

When a battery needs charging, the shuttle car is driven to the nearest DC power line, the charger is connected to the battery and then to the DC source with a short length of 2-conductor cable.



### Chunk Breaker on Loader Limits Coal Size

TO PREVENT large lumps of coal from getting to the belt-haulage system and causing belt damage or spillage, this chunk breaker was developed and installed on Joy 11-BU loaders. The present design evolved from a combination of ideas contributed by various mine personnel and was built for Peabody by the Manson Machine Co., Taylorville, Ill.

The breaker consists of three serrated disks equally spaced on a shaft free to revolve in the two supports on the loading head. Edges of the disks are hard-surfaced with Stoodite to reduce wear, and the loader has been strengthened to withstand the breaking action.

The first stage in the development of the present unit was the manufacture of a heavy U bar mounted on the loader in an inverted position. Goal of this device was to reduce lumps to the size of the opening by a wedging action created by the forward movement of the conveyor against the lump. This device was not successful because the lumps became wedged in the opening. The next step was addition to the U bar of semi-circular cutters with hardened knife edges in an effort to get better breaking. Considerable improvement resulted from this change and led to the development of the rotating shaft with the serrated disks.



### Skid-Mounted M-G Set Housed in Prefab Building

FAST SUBSTATION MOVES, including housing in a new fireproof building, are achieved with skid-mounted m-g sets and prefabricated knock-down steel buildings at Peabody No. 10. The idea for mounting the substations on bases made from I and H beams originated with Carl Lee, retired chief engineer.

When a station is to be moved, the front of the building is unbolted and removed. A crawler-mounted hoist is used to pull the controls and m-g set out to the supply track where they are loaded onto a Phillips carrier for transportation to the new site. If there is insufficient clearance to permit the equipment to be transported on the carrier, 1x5-in steel strips with keys are placed on the rails and the substation is placed on them and skidded to the location. The complete job of disconnecting the station, moving it to a new location and rewiring it in a new building takes about 4 days.

The knock-down building is 6x10x28 ft, with sides fabricated in 4x6-ft panels and the roof in 4x10-ft sections. Two men erect a building in one shift. A spare building is available so that a structure is already assembled and waiting when the substation arrives at the new site.



## Metal Stoppings Save Time

**BUILDING PERMANENT STOPPINGS** to keep up with fast-moving development that advances faces 60 ft per day was a difficult task until sheet-metal stoppings were developed. Now, one man installs two metal stoppings in one shift and there no longer is difficulty in building fire-proof stoppings as rapidly as needed. Product of an idea developed jointly by J. Craggs, field superintendent, and Keith McCann, assistant field superintendent, the metal stopping went through several stages of development before its present design.

The first application was corrugated steel sheets made of corrugated steel drain pipe, to close the area around an overcast. This led to experimenting with the corrugated sheets for sealing 14-ft breakthroughs. First units were hand made and consisted of 3x4-ft sheets of corrugated metal bolted to sections of telescopic

pipe. This design was unsatisfactory because the sheets were too wide to fit irregular roof and hence too much time was consumed in sealing the openings.

Soon after the idea of a 1-ft-wide telescopic panel was conceived and trial panels for an overcast were fabricated to company specifications. Management saw that this type of panel had interesting possibilities as a cost cutter and decided to use it for making stoppings in 14-ft breakthroughs.

Here's how the first units were installed. The drill crew bored two holes in each rib at the approximate location for the stopping. Holes were drilled about 18 in from the roof and 24 in from the floor. Into each of these was placed a 10-ft piece of 1½x1½ angle iron to which the steel panels were fastened. Joints were sealed with caulking material.

Panels are made of 28-gage copper-

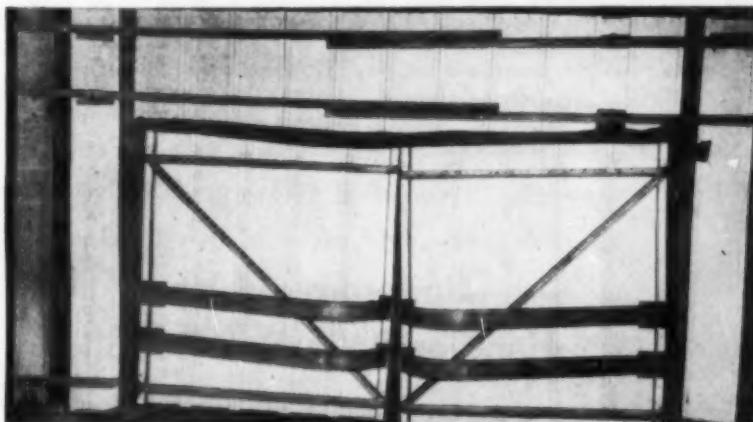
bearing steel and are fabricated in 5-ft telescopic sections so a 9-ft stopping can be built if necessary.

The only objection to the metal stoppings was that breakthroughs had to be cut exactly 14-ft wide because panels could not be overlapped if the opening was an odd width. To overcome this, a new-type fastener was developed to permit panels to be overlapped.

Success of the early installations led management to adopt them for all stoppings. As a result of using them near the face of active workings, one more change was necessary. Concussion from coal breaking sometimes damaged the stoppings, so some method had to be devised to eliminate it. As a result, two spring-hinged concussion doors were installed in each stopping in the areas where concussion was causing damage. Doors are mounted in panels interchangeable with solid panels so that they can be replaced easily as the faces advance. Panels now are sealed with a special tape supplied by the Minnesota Mining & Mfg. Co.

Peabody's latest application of the telescopic interlocking panels is for building a box-shaped overcast which will be combined with vertical panels to make a complete unit. Two men will be able to install one in two days.

Cost of one of the 14-ft stoppings is about the same as for a masonry seal but the metal units can be recovered for future use. Damaged panels also can be straightened very reasonably by returning them to the manufacturer who reshapes them.



## Double-Swinging Steel Doors Easily Installed

**PROVIDING GOOD VENTILATION** to working faces is aided with these easily constructed all-steel doors used on shuttle-car haulageways. The door

shown at the left was set up in the shop as a pilot model and has interlocking telescopic steel panels in the door and the frame. An underground

installation on a jack is shown in the right photo. Both doors are salvageable and can be moved to a new site in a short time.



## Peabody No. 10 "Operating Ideas" . . .



### Crawler-Mounted Unit Handles Three Jobs

ROCK-DUSTING, applying sand-cement coating and supplying compressed air are handled by this versatile unit. Originating from ideas contributed by Keith McCann, assistant field superintendent, and Leo Gil-martin, mine manager, the machine was built for Peabody by the Manson Machine Co., Taylorville, Ill. Components of the machine include the first electrically driven Jetcreter, a Joy WLSO compressor mounted on a modified T-5 truck. A 35-hp Reliance motor salvaged from a Joy 5-BU loader drives the compressor and the Jetcreter.

When used for cement work, the unit is operated as a standard Jetcreter. When used to rock dust, the machine is not connected to a water line and rock dust is placed in the hopper in place of the sand-cement

mixture. If only compressed air is needed, the clutch connecting the Jetcreter to the 35-hp motor is released, permitting the compressor to run alone.

There were several stages to the development of the machine as it is today. First was the purchase of the Jetcreter with the 35-hp motor to be used for applying a sand-cement mixture to headings near the slope bottom. This was a custom-built unit since a Jetcreter had never before been powered by an electric motor. The unit was mounted on wheels and air was supplied by a compressor transported on a crawler-mounted truck. Rock-dusting was tried with the machine at the suggestion of Mr. Gil-martin and proved to be very successful. Then, Mr. McCann suggested that the Jetcreter and the compressor be

combined into one unit and mounted on the truck. A design sketch and all the component parts for making the present unit were supplied to the Manson Machine Co., Taylorville, Ill. who assembled it in their shop.



### Special Fastener Prevents Air Leakage

PREVENTING LEAKAGE around a man door in an overcast is achieved with this simple fastener. The steel door fits into a steel frame which has two tapered steel blocks welded to each side and is tightened into place by turning a free-swinging steel strap attached to the center of the door. As the strip is turned clockwise, it moves farther up the tapered blocks and the seal becomes tighter.



### Underground Hoist Handles Palletized Supplies

TRANSFERRING materials from supply cars to shuttle cars for distribution in the section is done quickly and easily with the aid of a 1-ton Yale hoist mounted on a mine rail suspended from the roof. Supplies are delivered underground in pallets or bundles as far as possible to simplify the underground job. With the aid of the hoist, two men handle easily all types of supplies. The monorail is held in place with short roof bolts placed through holes in support straps welded to the ball of the rail.





ONE OF THE LARGEST stripping units now operating in western Pennsylvania, this electric-powered 13-yd dragline must remove 13,000 cu yd per day to expose coal that will be loaded within 24 hr. Planned maintenance keeps downtime at 10.5% of available time.

## Close-Coupled Strip Mining Demands Careful Planning

With loading following stripping by not more than 24 hr, the stripping unit must advance at a steady pace to avoid becoming a bottleneck. Buckeye Coal Co. relies upon careful planning and effective maintenance.

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EFFECTIVE MAINTENANCE, well-planned stripping methods and constant study of operations to search out further improvements make it possible for officials at McCurdy mine, Buckeye Coal Co., Grove City, Pa., to achieve their goal of removing 13,000 cu yd of overburden per day in producing 850 tons of coal daily. The job

is complicated by the fact that quicksand lenses in the highwall spill out into the pit, making it necessary to load out coal as soon as possible after it is exposed to avoid having it covered again by such slides. For this reason loading follows within 24 hr after the stripping unit has uncovered the coal.

A standby loading shovel is available at the pit to assure continuity in loading. Therefore, responsibility for the steady progress of this close-coupled stripping and loading job

and for daily production rests squarely upon the stripping unit, an electric-powered 13-yd dragline, one of the largest now operating in western Pennsylvania. The dragline operates three 8-hr shifts per day, 5 days a week, with total down time averaging 10.5% of available working time. Lunch time for the operators as well as all other delays is included in this total down time.

Production at McCurdy is from the 54-in Brookville seam which lies under from 60 to 70 ft of cover. The mine was opened in April, 1953, to provide steam coal for the steel mills of Buckeye's parent, Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co., Youngstown, Ohio. Prospect drilling shows reserves sufficient for several years at the present rate of recovery.

Officials in charge of Buckeye's stripping operations include: R. P.



**1. FLEXIBLE LINES** permit lubrication of dragline fairleads while machine is in operation.



**2. HARD-SURFACING** on bucket shroud, round bars on tooth bases and steel plate increase useful life.



**5. AT MARSHALL PIT,** small shovel scarfs 2-in binder out of 34-in seam to reduce ash-content 5%.



**6. DEFLECTION SHEAVE** on boom prevents slap in hoist rope. White markers on highwall show up trailing cable.

## Eight Ideas for Increasing Over-All

Bremner, assistant to the vice president in charge of operations, acting for the parent company with headquarters at Youngstown; M. A. Voelm, superintendent of strip mines; S. D. Winger, in charge of exploration, development and reclamation; and C. J. Lindstrom, mining engineer and foreman at McCurdy. The company also operates a smaller mine, known as Marshall mine, in the 34-in Mercer seam near New Castle, Pa., under the same supervision.

### KEEPING DRAGLINE WORKING

As mentioned, the dragline is removing about 13,000 cu yd per day, and the goal of Mr. Voelm and his associates in field operations is to achieve this stripping average without too much variation from one day to the next. Effective maintenance makes it possible, Mr. Voelm says, and here are some of the practices found to be particularly valuable in keeping the dragline in action.

Three 13-cu yd buckets are rotated about every 15 days, from actual service, into the rebuilding shop and then into standby service. Performance studies on the buckets have resulted in the adoption of standard modifications which include the use of Harcote No. 55 hard-surfacing around the leading edges of the bucket to increase the life of the shroud approximately 25% and the use of round steel bars welded onto the tooth bases to prevent excessive abrasion. The bottom



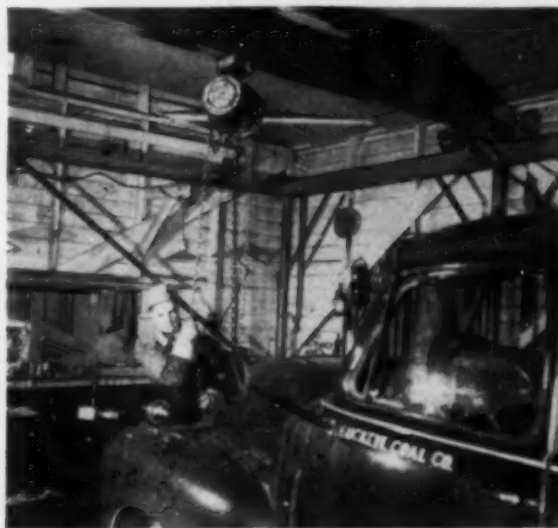
**3. CRAWLER ROLLERS** and similar parts are built up with automatic welding at 25% of cost of new parts.



**4. PIT PUMPS** are mounted in carrier frames which may be hoisted by dragline for relocation.



**7. TWO-COMPARTMENT TANK** carries fuel to field units. It may be removed to release truck for other jobs.



**8. SHOP-MADE MONORAIL HOIST** is made of pipe standards, spare beams and track rollers from bulldozers.

## Stripping Efficiency at Buckeye Operations

and sides of the bucket are lined with Yaloy plate.

Bucket teeth are changed every 5 days, the drag rope is resocketed every week and turned end for end every 10 days, and the hoist rope is resocketed every 2 wk. These duties are scheduled for Saturdays, whenever the machine is not in operation, or to coincide with the lunch periods of the operators on working days. Planned maintenance work is scheduled during the annual miners' vacations, employ-

ing outside help if necessary to get the work done before the miners return.

A Buckeye idea makes it unnecessary to shutdown the dragline every 4-hr to permit lubrication of the drag-rope fairleads, as formerly required. This recurrent delay was eliminated by providing flexible lines leading from fittings inside the cab, to all lubrication points on the fairleads. Now the oiler can service the fairleads while the dragline keeps operating.

The dragline also features synchronous reaving, particularly applicable to electrified machines in this class, which results in savings of 16% as compared with previous power requirements. In synchronous reaving, the drag clutch remains engaged while the motor is reversed to pay out the drag rope under power during the hoisting cycle. Hoisting speed is increased because of the pendulum motion imparted to the bucket. This action also accounts for savings in the





**LOADING SHOVEL** and bulldozer build haulage road in pit out of fire-clay and furnace slag to reach coal now being uncovered by dragline.



**PROPER POSITION** of dragline on top of highwall results in less than 90-deg swing.



**CAR-LOADING HOPPER** permits fast truck dumping and controlled loading of coal for Youngstown steel plants.



**HAULAGE ROADS** are made of 2 ft of unscreened slag on top of fireclay subgrade. Ditches take pit water to sump.



**AUTOMATICALLY CONTROLLED MAIN PUMP** removes water from main sump and discharges outside the limits of the pit.



**BUCKEYE STAFF:** C. J. Lindstrom (left), mining engineer and McCurdy-pit foreman; M. A. Voelm, superintendent of strip mines, S. D. Winger, exploration, etc.



life of brake blocks on the drag drum, which has tripled since the change.

Sheaves, crawler rollers and such items are rebuilt by continuous welding at the steel company's main shops at Youngstown to provide 90% of the original life at 25% of the cost of new replacements. Most of the heavy repair work is done at Youngstown, although spot repairs are made at smaller shops at both McCurdy and Marshall, each staffed by a mechanic and a helper. A shop truck, carrying a diesel-powered welding machine, is available for field repairs.

Scheduling is important in Buckeye's maintenance program. The maintenance crew boards the dragline at each day-shift lunch period to take advantage of this necessary delay in discharging preventive maintenance duties. The work of the oilers is arranged so that a change of shifts can be made with a delay of only 3 min to perform the few tasks the oiler could not do while the machine is in operation.

#### MOVING COVER AND COAL

All of the Brookville seam within the boundaries of the McCurdy tracts is below natural drainage. Therefore, the first order of business in preparing to open the mine was to determine the lowest part of the seam from drilling records, thus locating the point where the initial opening should be made in order to provide a natural sump.

This was followed by construction of a haulage ramp on an 8% grade down to this low point and the preparation of the sump area. The pit was opened with a box cut, 215 ft wide at the surface and 90 ft wide on the coal, beginning at the bottom of the ramp and worked to a distance of 1,800 ft north and 2,000 ft south. Overburden cuts now are 75 ft wide with the work now in the fourth cut. The dragline begins a cut on line with the haulage ramp and works to the north limit of the property, then deadheads back to the starting point to work a cut toward the south limit. The haulage ramp, as it is extended westward, splits the property. The machine walks at a rate of 700 fph.

No attempt is made to construct a bench at a lower elevation for the dragline. It has been determined from experience that the material in the highwall varies to such an extent that valuable time would be wasted in trying to provide a bench of sufficient bearing strength to support the 600-ton machine. Therefore, the dragline lays a level pad of shale for itself on top of the highwall as it advances.

The cuts are limited to a maximum width of 75 ft to limit the swing required of the dragline. The swing

angle usually is between 45 and 90 deg.

Immediately above the coal is a layer of shale which varies from 0 to 30 ft thick. It is this material which is used in the cushion for the dragline. A layer of it also is deposited on the bottom in new spoil areas to provide a permeable zone through which water can drain out of the spoil areas back to the sump.

Two diesel-powered shovels, equipped with 3-yd coal-loading buckets, are used in loading the coal, one active and the other a spare. Final cleaning of the top of the coal is done by a bulldozer and a 1½-yd high-lift, rubber-tired tractor. The haulage contract is held by Mooney Bros., New Castle, Pa., who operate five 15-ton trucks for moving the coal 1½ mi from the pit to the railroad-car loading chute.

The railroad-car loading point is equipped with a car puller for spotting the cars under the chute, although the cars run by gravity otherwise. The empty track holds a sufficient number of cars to permit loading of 1,800 tons. Two men are stationed here during the single loading shift to operate the car hoist and to take general charge of the loading point.

The remainder of the working force at McCurdy includes three operators and three oilers for the dragline, three bulldozer operators at the pit and one on reclamation work, an operator and an oiler for the loading shovel and two utility men in the pit. The maintenance force includes a mechanic and a helper, an electrician, two welders and a second-shift mechanic.

#### PROVIDING AUXILIARY SERVICES

Good haulage roads and a well-planned drainage system also contribute to over-all efficiency at McCurdy by preventing delays which in the final analysis could adversely affect the working time of the dragline, the bellwether of operations.

In building haulage roads, Buckeye officials make use of both native materials and bank slag which is hauled in from the steel mills at Youngstown. Bottom material under the Brookville seam is fireclay. This is piled up along the centerline of a cut as the coal is removed for the double purpose of providing drainage ditches and making a raised base for the pit road. Then a course of shale, stripped off the coal by the dragline, is laid on top of the fireclay to a thickness of from 18 to 24 in. The main haul road is built of 1 ft of unscreened bank slag which is broken up and compacted by bulldozers as they shape up the road. A 2-in layer of screened slag is added

to dress the top of public township roads used in traveling from the pit to the loading point. In all instances, roads are 24 ft wide to permit two-way traffic at all points.

Drainage facilities have been designed with the object of promoting gravity flow to a central sump, insofar as possible. As previously mentioned, this flow is achieved by (1) opening pits at the lowest-possible seam elevation, (2) laying a permeable layer of shale on the bottom in spoil areas and (3) ditching through the fireclay on both sides of haulage roads in the pits.

The main pump at McCurdy is a skid-mounted 8-in unit driven by a 60-hp electric motor. The pump is rated at 2,000 gpm, and operates about 6 hr per day. A float switch controls the on-and-off functions of the pump, and an electric heating coil is provided to prevent freeze-ups in cold weather. Other pumps, including two 8-in and one 6-in units and a 4-in diaphragm pump, are driven by gasoline engines, providing portable units to fill spot assignments.

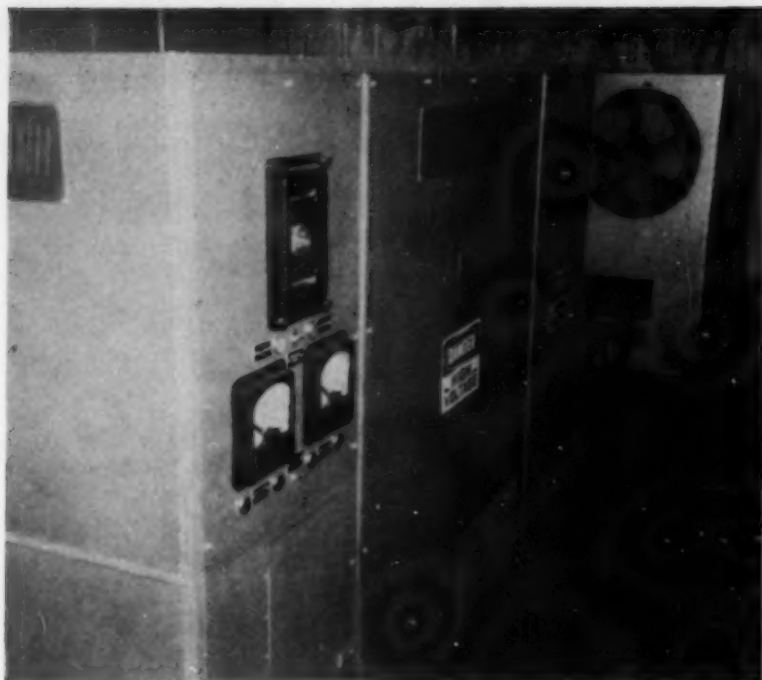
Permanent discharge lines are constructed of Youngstown 8-in steel pipe and the pit lines of spiral-welded pipe with wedge-lock couplings. Power for the main pump is provided by a portable 75-kva substation which steps down 4,160-v power to 220 v.

The 4,160-v power for the dragline is provided by a 1,000-kva substation which is supplied on the primary side at a potential of 69 kv by the power company. Some 8,000 ft of pole line and 2,500 ft of trailing cable transmit the 4,160-v power from the substation to the dragline.

Reclamation of the stripped land is not allowed to lag stripping by more than 2 yr. Spoil banks are rounded and leveled to satisfy the requirements of Pennsylvania state reclamation laws, and then these areas are planted in poplar, locust and various evergreens. Buckeye has been operating in the area since 1940 and some of the older spoil areas now support dense growths of these trees.

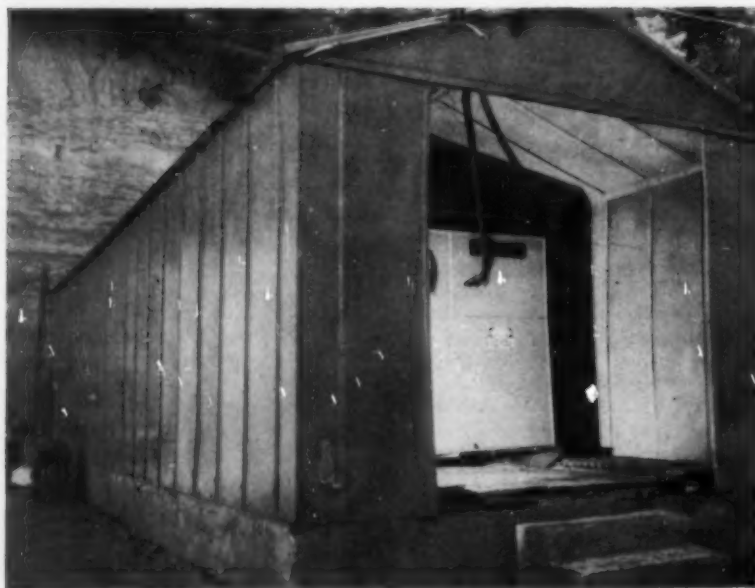
#### Never Satisfied!

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TWO SKID-MOUNTED UNITS make up the selenium-rectifier installation, with the high-voltage cabinet in the foreground and the low-voltage unit at the rear.

## Selenium Rectifier Serves Russell Fork 3A



AMPLE SPACE for maintenance and ventilation are provided in generous-sized steel building housing the rectifier substation.

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TO SUPPLY additional DC capacity when continuous miners absorbed all available conversion capacity, the Russell Fork Coal Co., at Praise, Pike County, Ky., selected an American selenium rectifier. The price, incidentally, was a few per cent lower than a conventional rectifier unit but was not the major factor in the selection of the new unit.

This new 300-kw selenium substation, made by the American Rectifier Co., 95 Lafayette St., New York City, was installed in March, 1954, in a metal building near the portal of the mine it serves, and has operated with a minimum of attention and no maintenance. It supplies Mine No. 3A, and is not operating in parallel with any of the four tank-type rectifiers from which the Russell Fork mines have been deriving power since their opening.

### EFFICIENCY 85%

Output voltage is automatically regulated by the magnetic-amplifier method. Efficiency is about 85% at full 300-kw load and 83% at 25% overload. The 85% efficiency level is reached at about 30% load, and remains level beyond full load.

The unit is contained in two cabinets, and the company requested that these be placed on steel skids composed of 8-in channels on edge, with both ends rounded to form double-end runners. The No. 1, or high-voltage, cabinet is 5 ft 10 in by 7½ ft, and is 6 ft 8 in high. Weight, including skids, is about 4½ tons. Dimensions of the No. 2, or low-voltage, cabinet are 5 ft 10 in by 8 ft 11 in, with a height of 6 ft 8 in. Weight, with skids, is about 3½ tons.

A 14x36-ft steel building 8 ft high to the eaves was erected for the substation. A smaller building could have been used, but the larger was selected to provide ample room for maintenance and ventilation. Skidding the cabinets into the building and hooking up was done in minimum time. Only six leads, from marked lugs, were necessary to connect the two cabinets. The only other wiring was to bring in the 2,300-v input leads and run out the 275-v output cables. Output voltage is controlled by one knob.

### EQUIPMENT ARRANGEMENT

The No. 1, or high-voltage, cabinet contains an Allis-Chalmers 4,160-v automatic-reclosing oil circuit breaker, main transformer, auxiliary transformer, auxiliary control transformer, current transformers, a fan and instruments. Transformers are air-cooled and can deliver full load without the fan operating. The fan is an economical means of adding a safety factor and giving the main transformer additional capacity. Instruments mounted on the control panel of No. 1 cabinet consist of a 0-3,000-scale voltmeter, 0-100 ammeter, and a G.E. Type ACR reclosing relay.

The No. 2, or low-voltage, cabinet contains voltage-regulating equipment, selenium stacks, two fans and an I-T-E Type KC automatic-reclosing DC breaker rated at 1,600-amp continuous, 50,000-amp maximum, interrupting current. The control panel of No. 2 cabinet carries only two instruments: a 0-500-scale voltmeter and a 0-2,000 ammeter.

Selenium stacks number 72 and are mounted in two rows back to back. This large number of stacks permits removal of one or two without noticeable effect on output. A stack can be replaced in about 10 min.

### COOLING PROVISIONS

Cooling fans, the only moving parts of the rectifier unit, are V-belt driven by totally enclosed dustproof 3-phase motors, each controlled by its own magnetic contactor and each having its own wind switch. Although the rectifier can carry a partial load with only natural ventilation, the fans must be operating for normal use. As a safety factor, each fan moves enough air to permit carrying nearly full load. The rectifier can be operated at no load with no fans running, but any attempt to close the DC circuit breaker either by solenoid or manually will close the trip circuit and throw out the breaker.

The fans were purposely made belt driven, and the Allis-Chalmers motors were wired so that a motor can be easily replaced. An oversize V-belt is used, and at the same time the motor has a base for tension adjustment. A tapered motor pulley with sleeve permits changing with only a wrench.

Before the rectifier was purchased, Otis Elswick, chief electrician for the Russell Fork Coal Co., made a trip to the American Rectifier factory. He was favorably impressed with the relatively short stacking as a factor in preventing loose connections, and also by the 200% load tests that the individual items receive before rectifier assembly.

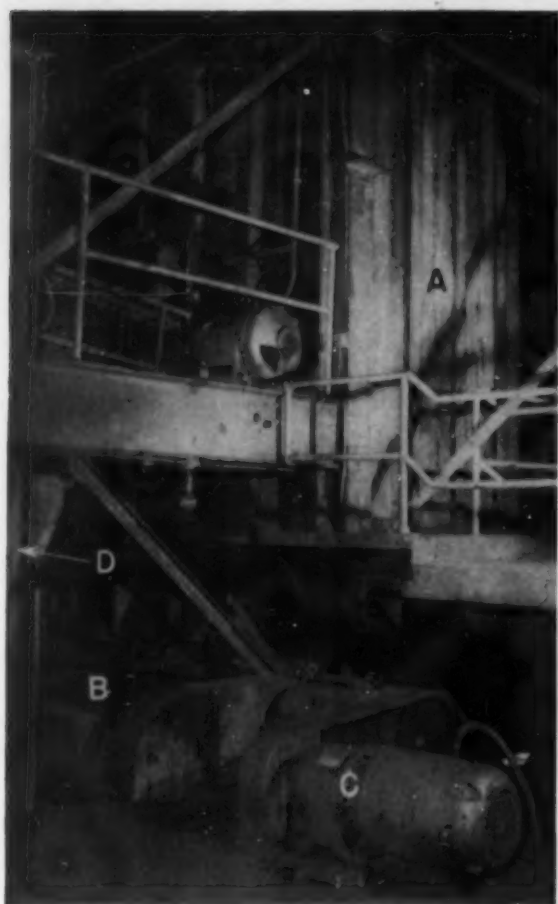


**SELENIUM STACKS** are the heart of the 300-kw conversion unit. The 36 stacks shown here are backed up by an additional 36.

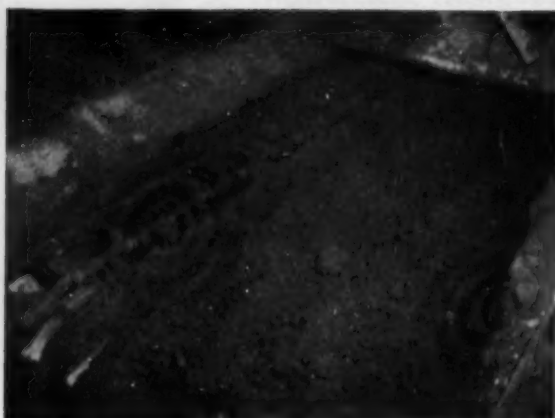


**BELT-DRIVEN COOLING FANS** are included in the auxiliary equipment in the front end of the low-voltage cabinet.





**STORING WASHED FINES**—80-ton bin (A), discharge of removal conveyor (B), one of two 20-hp drives (C) and vertical run of encircling gravity-discharge conveyor (D).



**AS STORAGE BIN** becomes nearly empty, one of the three chains serving the right-hand half of the bin is exposed.



**WET FINE COAL** in a 3-in layer 6 ft. wide, being pulled out from one-half of the bottom of the bin and dropping into the mixing conveyor.

## Storing Washed Fines

**Bin added at Amherst Coal plant absorbs surges and stores end-of-shift centrifugally dried fines from the water circuit. Handling packed fines requires sturdy conveyors and drives.**

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BIN STORAGE of fine centrifugally dried coal is a desirable feature in a washing plant because:

1. It facilitates blending fines with the coarse washed product in a uni-

form quantity regardless of the variation of fines in the raw-coal feed.

2. It permits cleaning the water circuits of fines at the end of the shift without slugging one or two cars with

excessive fines. Cleaning the circuits prevents settlement and avoids the "freezing" of conveyors and plugging of pipe lines.

Several years ago, the Amherst Coal Co. added a storage bin for centrifugally dried  $\frac{1}{4}$ x0 coal in its No. 1 plant, at Amherstdale, Logan County, W. Va. The several problems involved in dragging the packed coal from the bottom of the bin were anticipated and overcome.

Raw-coal feed to the plant is in excess of 400 tph and the minus 5-in is washed in a Link-Belt jig. The washed product passes over an Allis-Chalmers Low-Head screen with the equivalent of  $\frac{1}{4}$ -in round openings. Through product is discharged to a concrete sump, from which it is moved by an

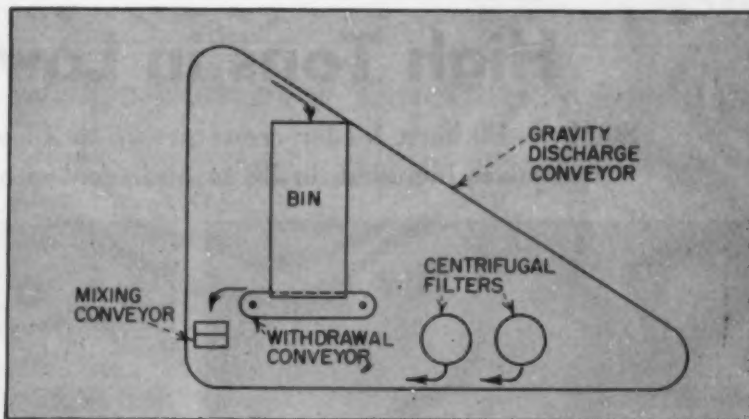




**NO. 1 PLANT** of the Amherst Coal Co., where installation of a storage bin for wet fine coal has proved doubly effective by insuring uniform blending and permitting clearing the water circuit of fines to avoid settlement.



**HEAVY-DUTY CHAIN DRIVE**—A twin of this motor-fluid drive, V-belt, herringbone gear and roller chain is located on the far side and takes care of the other half of the withdrawal conveyor (background). Plant-installation diagram (right) shows relation of bin and conveyors to existing mixing conveyor and centrifugal driers.



elevator to a collecting hopper where it is mixed with water in such quantity as to permit the mixture to flow by gravity to two Bird centrifugal filters. The dried product is conveyed to the storage bin by a gravity-discharge conveyor.

Shape of the bin was dictated largely by the limited space available in the plant. It measures 12x12 ft, is 20 ft high and has a capacity of 80 tons.

The coal is withdrawn from the bin by six chains of the square-link type installed side by side and running on the flat steel bottom of the bin. The chains are Link-Belt Class H-104, wing, 6-in pitch, rated at 4,160-lb allowable pull and 28,000-lb ultimate strength.

The preliminary calculations showed that a sprocket drive shaft of cold rolled steel would have to be 8½ in in diameter to handle the chain. Since such a shaft would have required the use of sprockets of a larger pitch

diameter than desirable, a compromise was made on a 4½-in shaft of special alloy. After 2-mo operation, however, the alloy shaft failed and was replaced by two shorter shafts of the same size and material, mounted in line so that each one drives half the conveyor, or three chains.

The change included replacing the one long tail shaft with two shorter shafts. Each drive shaft is driven by a General Electric 20-hp Tri-Clad motor with a Link-Belt "Electrofluid" drive, V-belt, Link-Belt herringbone gear with a ratio of 1,660 rpm input and 45.9 rpm output, and finally a roller chain.

This double drive has proved very satisfactory because it permits operating one-half (three chains) of the withdrawal conveyor at a time. In case of chain failure, the bin can be emptied by the other drive and repairs made when convenient. Withdrawal rate is regulated by an adjustable gate on the

discharge bin. Operating one half of the conveyor provides a steady stream of coal 6 ft wide and 3 to 5 in deep flowing to the mixing conveyor and thence to the car.

Withdrawal is adjusted to a constant rate so that at the end of the shift the bin is emptied or nearly so, although at times during the shift there may be a build-up of 40 to 50 tons in the bin. All the cleanup fines at the end of the shift are stored until the start of the next shift, when they are fed into the coarser coal while the fines from the oncoming shift are still in the water circuit.

The bin was placed in available space between the mixing conveyor and Bird filters, but at a higher elevation so as to discharge directly into the mixing conveyor. The gravity-discharge conveyor which moves and elevates the wet fines from the filters to the top of the bin encircles the bin, two driers and mixing conveyor.



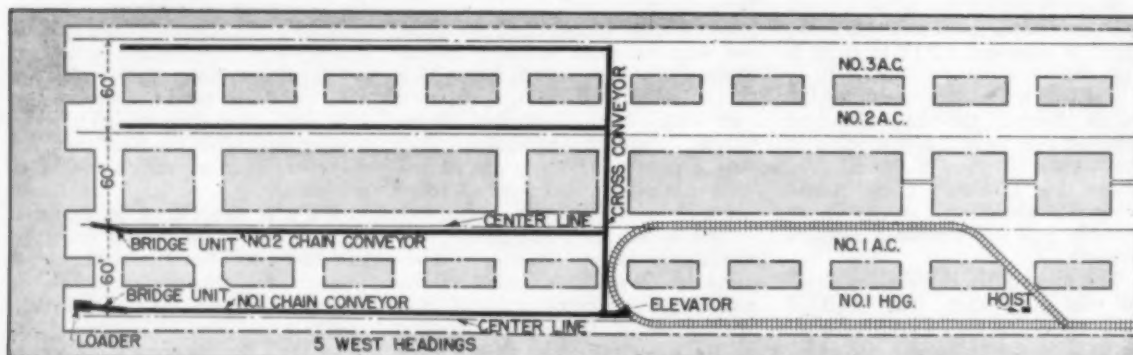
BRIDGE CONVEYORS behind loading machines at Wilson Creek mine are key to . . .

## High Tons in Low Coal

Stephens-Elkhorn loader crews get up to 25 tons per man, conveyor moves included, in 30 to 36-in coal with bridge conveyors.



CHANGING PLACES—at left, loader and bridge conveyor are being backed for unhooking; at right, loader has been unhooked ready to tram to other place. Note end of room conveyor at lower right.



DRIVING FOUR HEADINGS with one loader, two bridge conveyors, four room conveyors, a cross conveyor and elevator.

TEN TONS OF CLEAN COAL SHIPPED per man on the payroll was the average production for the first 4 mo of 1954 at an eastern Kentucky underground mine in a seam averaging 34 in. and ranging from 30 to 36 in. Joy 12-BU machines load the coal into Long Piggybacks, and Jeffrey and Long chain conveyors deliver to mine cars. During the month of January the average production per man employed on the sections, including the foremen, was 21.14 tons, including conveyor moves to establish new loading points.

The operation is the Wilson Creek mine of the Stephens-Elkhorn Fuel Corp., Manton, Floyd County, Ky. A. H. Mandt is vice president and general manager, and Cecil Sherman is superintendent. The company was organized in 1932 to take over an abandoned lease of Elkhorn No. 3 seam which yields a high quality, low-ash, low-sulphur, medium-volatile coal for domestic and steam markets.

#### 1,149 TONS; 115 MEN

Operating double shift and four days per week during the first 4 mo of this year, the production average was 1,149 tons per day with a payroll of 115 men, including the superintendent and those employed at the preparation plant, offices and retail store.

Favorable conditions are a level seam with local grades not exceeding 3%, no parting, a top of firm shale, no gas and a bottom which for the most part consists of a firm fireclay. Limited working height is the one big difficulty.

In 1945, the original hand loading into mine cars was changed to hand loading into conveyors. In 1949, a 300-tph 4-track steel tippie with jig washer was installed. The next step was to install the loaders and Piggybacks, and early in 1953 the entire production was switched to that method.

#### PRODUCTION MAINSTAYS

Equipment consists of three 12-BU loaders and six Piggybacks. Cutting is done principally with five Goodman Type 512-EJH shortwalls with hydraulic controls, bugbusters and 8½-ft cutterbars equipped with Goodman chains using Kennametal bits. Drilling is done with Chicago Pneumatic No. 572 hand-held fast-feed electric drills using Kennametal bits. The coal is shot with permissible powder.

The chain conveyors discharge to a Jeffrey elevator at the car-loading point, served by a loop or circle haulage. Spotting is done with a Brownie hoist. Car equipment consists of 150



PREPARING FOR LOADING, cutters and drillers work in one place while adjacent place is being loaded out.

## Bridge-Conveyor Time-Study Results

Analysis of time study, 12-BU Joy loading machines with Piggybacks, 9 Rt Section, Stephens Elkhorn Fuel Corp.

Coal loaded, 260 tons. Eight faces cleaned up during the shift. Average heights of 36 in and widths of 36 ft were mined during the shift, with good top, grades and bottom. Sectional crew left outside at 6:45 A.M.; arrived at face at 7:09 A.M. Supplies were run back at start of shift, requiring 16 min. Sectional crew left face at 2:19 P.M.; arrived outside at 2:45 P.M. This crew consisted of the following men:

- 2 men, loading machine.
- 2 men, cutting machine.
- 2 men, timber and pan-up.
- 1 man, utility (greaser).
- 1 man, boom operator.

Following is breakdown of time study on above loading:

Cut No.	Time in Minutes per Place				
	Total	Loading	Wait on Coal	Tram	Delays
1	43.0	25.0	....	....	16.0, supply
2	85.0	55.0	21.0	2.0	9.0, chain
3	35.0	33.0	....	2.0	.....
4	53.0	38.0	12.0	3.0	.....
5	57.0	42.0	10.0	5.0	.....
6	47.0	41.0	4.0	2.0	.....
7	72.0	49.0	5.0	3.0	15.0, no cars
8	47.0	39.0	....	4.0	4.0, no cars
	439.0	322.0	52.0	21.0	44.0

73.3% of working time spent loading coal.

11.8% of working time spent waiting on coal.

4.8% of working time spent tramming loading machine.

10.1% of working time lost due to delays.

Average loading time per place	40.2 min.
Average time waiting on coal per place	6.5 min.
Average tram time per place	3.0 min.
Average time lost per place due to delays	6.3 min.
Loading rate during shift	0.807 tpm.
Tons lost due to delays during shift	74
Section foremen and men are very efficient.	





**15-TON MAINLINE LOCOMOTIVE 25** in high delivers a trip to the outside trestle leading to the dump hopper.



**FOUR-TRACK STEEL TIPPLE** includes jig washer. The dump hopper behind the plant at left holds 375 tons.

Sanford-Day 2½-ton dropbottom cars 24 in high. Gathering is done with two General Electric 6-ton locomotives 28 in high, which barely clear the mine roof. One General Electric 15-ton locomotive 25 in high handles the 3½-mi main haul. A 6-ton trailing locomotive equipped with Femco Trolleyphone is used on the trip as a safety factor and to assist if cars are derailed.

This main haulway, practically all underground, is on 60-lb rails. Originally, height was gained by taking top. A change to taking bottom eliminated trouble because the roof, if undisturbed, holds very well. A man portal, established out in the country at a drift several miles by highway from the tippie, has cut the underground travel for the men to 1½ mi.

#### MINE DEVELOPMENT

The mining plan is room-and-pillar and room pillars are not recovered. A typical section setup, based on work in No. 5 West Headings, is shown in the accompanying plan. The four headings are driven 30 ft wide on 60-ft centers. No. 1 heading and No. 1 aircourse are advanced 340 ft. Then the equipment is moved through the first open crosscut in by the cross conveyor. While No. 2 and No. 3 aircourses are advancing, the loaded car track is extended to the next boom hole and the empty track is laid on around and back to the cross conveyor. After No. 2 and No. 3 aircourses are advanced to catch up with No. 1 heading and No. 1 aircourse, and the last two breaks are completed, the equipment is moved through the center pillar breakthrough to resume No. 1 heading and No. 1 aircourse advance.

No. 1 heading is driven with one rib line 11 ft to the left and the other

19 ft to the right of the center line, while No. 1 aircourse is 19 ft to the left and 11 ft to the right. The chain conveyor in No. 1 heading is positioned 4 ft to the right of the center line, while in No. 1 aircourse it is 4 ft to the left. This arrangement permits completion of breakthroughs from either place.

Empty mine cars, after being turned at a central side track and proceeding to the section, are coupled to the rear end of the trip being loaded without lost time. The loaded cars are gathered and the hoist rope is returned to the loading point and hooked to the empty cars while the loading machine is being trammed from one Piggy-back to another in the adjacent place. Femco Trolleyphone communications between the loading point and the last open crosscut, and also with the gathering-locomotive, facilitates this synchronization of equipment and avoids lost time.

#### SECTION PERFORMANCE

Nine men, including the section foreman, comprise a section crew. In the accompanying time study the foreman is not included. This study was made by a representative of another coal company which became interested in the high efficiency attained by Stephens-Elkhorn in such low coal. We are indebted to Mr. Mandt for a copy of the report.

While the time study shows 262 tons produced by 9 men (including the section foreman), or 29 tons delivered to the mine cars per man-shift, it will be noted that the more significant data are those including the moves. For the months of January, February, March and April, 1954, the tonnages delivered to mine cars per man-shift were 21.14, 19.84, 25.76 and 23.35.

#### SPARE SECTION PROVIDED

A change recently completed, resulted in the establishment of three operating sections and one standby section. When one of the three regular sections is stopped for moving, the crew will be shifted to the standby section to maintain consistent daily tonnage.

Roof bolting with a C-P RBD-30 unit is done in the few places where bad top is experienced. This drill also is employed to install trolley hangers, and also, with a special Kennametal bit, for channeling roof for raising and guarding the trolley wire (p 116).

DC at 275 v for underground operations is supplied by three substations. One is a 200-kw General Electric portable rectifier installed underground, and the other units are 150-kw rotary converters installed outside.

The preparation plant, on the C. & O. Ry. and built by McNally-Pittsburg, is capable of handling 2,500 tons in an 8-hr shift. Cars dump into a 375-ton storage bin. Primary equipment consists of a main shaker, picking table and a Jeffrey diaphragm jig, which washes minus 3-in. The plant includes four Allis-Chalmers vibrators, one Low-Head for dewatering and three Ripl-Flo for screening stoker coal. Tyler stainless-steel cloth is used on the vibrators.

A Jeffrey single-roll crusher is installed for crushing egg, and a McNally-Pittsburg double-roll unit crushes 3x1-in oversize. Two of the four loading tracks are equipped with booms.

The main office of the company is near the preparation plant at Manton, while the mine office is at the man portal where the shop and bathhouse also are located. Rufus Stephens is general day foreman of the mine, and Roy Music is general night foreman.



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## Speaking in Public

In addition to their other duties, supervisors may find it necessary to prepare and present short talks to groups of men; for instance, at section safety meetings. Here are some helpful hints.

ting up some principles and practicing the techniques of oral communications, led by Prof. Harold Schmidhauser, of the New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Cornell University. We found the sessions to be of great value, so we consider it proper that we share some of our good fortune with you. You may wish to apply some of these hints in your talks at section safety meetings, for example.

First and foremost, you must have an interesting subject to talk about. To solve this problem, choose an important subject, one that is of direct concern to your listeners. If it carries this importance, you can make it interesting.

The next order of business is the organization of your talk. Your material should be assembled in such a manner that your presentation satisfies four requirements, as follows:

1. **Get the attention of your audience.** Wake them up if they're asleep. Shock them if they're doze.
2. **Give your reasons for bringing up this subject.** Having alerted your listeners, you owe them an explanation of why you think they should listen to you.
3. **Now state your case.** In this portion of your talk employ striking examples, quotations from well-known sources and direct references to personal experiences among your listeners.
4. **Make your point.** Even though you may have satisfied the first three requirements, your listeners still may have a "So What?" attitude. Your job is to convert that attitude into one of agreement.

**Getting Attention**—Humor is all right if the subject of your talk permits its use, but the humor had better be good. A startling statistic may focus the attention of the audience, but the statistic had better be newsworthy. An unusual twist may be a good lead-off, but the twist had better be one that you can link to the main body of your talk without too much trouble. On the other hand, you might start off with a visual gimmick, something you can hold up before the group. Money,

for instance. Everybody is interested in that.

**Giving your reasons**—Now you have attention, and you have presented the subject of your talk in the process of garnering that attention. The question now in the collective mind of your audience is: "Well, why bring that up?" So you must tell them. Tell them why the subject is of importance to them and, perhaps, why they need to know more about it.

**Stating your case**—Notice how the structure of your speech is building up. First you demanded attention, then you explained why you rate that attention, and now you are ready to fill in the details on this matter you choose to speak about. One of the best ways to drive your points home is to illustrate them with familiar examples. Be certain the examples apply to the points being made. And if you use quotations, be sure they apply to the issues also. You may have to restrain yourself here. If the examples and quotations don't fall into your theme naturally, chuck them, no matter how beautiful they are.

Say all you should say to clear up the subject for your listeners, but be careful not to run on and on after you have achieved this objective.

**Making your point**—This is the time to suggest action if getting action from the group is the objective of your talk. If you hope to get the support of the group for a plan you have in mind, now is the time to make a plea for that support. There is danger here also of becoming long-winded. Choose your words with the goal of making your point with all possible brevity. Then stop talking.

Well, there's a 4-point sequence you can use in organizing and presenting a talk on almost any subject under the sun. It is designed to satisfy the natural demands of the audience as these demands show up in order.

But it really isn't easy. Even with an interesting subject and excellent organization of the talk, you still face the chilling moment when you must stand up and



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**SUCCESSFUL SPEAKERS** organize their talks, speak sincerely, make their points, then stop talking

**DOES YOUR BLOOD RUN COLD** at the thought of standing on your two feet and projecting your voice and your ideas toward a group of upturned faces? Do you sit through public meetings with a constant fear that the chairman or toastmaster might call upon you to say a few words? If you suffer these symptoms, don't be discouraged. You are perfectly normal! We are quite certain the same misgivings assailed Daniel Webster and William Jennings Bryan as they approached their earliest oratorical efforts.

We recently had the privilege of attending a series of sessions devoted to set-



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## How to organize a talk . . .

Here is a section safety talk, reprinted from the June, 1954, issue of *The Safe Mine Foreman*, a publication of the accident-prevention department, Coal Div., Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates, Mount Hope, W. Va. We have inserted headings and comments to show how the structure of this talk builds up.

### GETTING ATTENTION:

All right, men, it's time for another of our weekly safety meetings. One time a little boy asked his grandfather why he didn't get a hearing aid so he could hear more. The old man said, "Son, I hear more now than there is any use of."

### GIVING REASONS:

What I'm going to tell you today will be of use to you, so cock up your ears and listen.

### STATING THE CASE:

First, the company wants this to be a safe mine. If it isn't as safe as it should be it is because somebody is making mistakes which the company doesn't want made. Sometimes I make the mistakes and fail to operate this section as safe as I could and should, but that is not the way the company wants me to do the job.

Sometimes it is you who make the mistakes. Sometimes some of you will take chances in spite of all I can do to get you to work safely. If you take a chance just remember one thing, it's not the way the company wants you to work. [Note the use of personal references.—Ed.]

Let me tell you why the company wants this to be a safe mine. Because the company is a group of men, just like you and I. In fact, you and I and the superintendent, and the other officials and the stockholders are the company. We and they are human. You are just as interested in our fellowmen as they, and they are just as interested as we. None of us want men to be injured.

A lot of accidents and injuries at a plant gives the plant a bad reputation. You nor I nor the officials nor the stockholders want to be part of a bad reputation.

There is another good reason why everybody in the company wants a safe mine. It costs money to have accidents. Every mashed finger costs plenty before it is well again. If a man gets killed it costs close to \$6,000 in compensation and medical expenses. That is only part of the total cost; the remainder is in the indirect costs of lost production, damaged equipment, disorganization of personnel, investigation, hiring and training a new man and hundreds of other indirect costs. The officials of the company have a lot better use for 10 or 12 thousand dollars than burying it.

That money will buy a lot of cable or a lot of timber. It will pay for a lot of repairs to equipment or for many other things.

Right now some of you are thinking, "The company wants me to be safe so it can save money." Remember, you are part of the company, and it is true that part of the reason the company wants you to be safe is to save money.

Whose money? Why, their money and yours. How much will you save by carrying out the safety rules? Do you know how much you are worth? [Note these provocative questions and the striking examples which follow.—Ed.]

Suppose you are 42 yr old. You will have about 20 yr more of working life at about \$4,000 per yr, which will be about \$80,000. If you are 32 yr of age you can figure you will earn about \$120,000 before you retire—if you are safe and well enough to work those next 30 yr.

The money the company can save by keeping you alive will buy a new shortwall cutting machine. But what can you buy with a hundred grand? New car, home, vacation, put your children through school, and thousands of other things.

### MAKING THE POINT:

Now tell me, who profits most when you work safely? You or the company? Why take a chance of losing your life or of losing a hundred grand by doing the things the company safety rules forbid you to do. [Note the short, sharp conclusion. Stop talking here.—Ed.]

start talking—all alone. Nervous? Certainly! Well, let's talk about stagefright.

Quivering knees and shortness of breath are not "all in the mind." These are real physical reactions. Every intelligent, sensitive speaker has felt these reactions upon standing up to deliver his first few speeches. What really happens?

Prof. Schmidhauser tells us our diaphragms are the culprits, from all indications. There seems to be some direct

link between an apprehensive mind and a hair-trigger diaphragm which causes the latter to tighten up. The result is reduced lung volume, naturally followed by shorter breathing and faster heart action. And with more blood concentrated around the lungs, heart and diaphragm, there is precious little left to stiffen our legs. No wonder knees quiver.

Now that we know what causes stagefright, what do we do about it? Satchel Paige has the answer in one of his ten

rules for longer useful living. Mr. Paige, the timeless baseball pitcher, says: "When your stomach disputes you, lie down and think cool thoughts."

In applying that sage advice to our problem, we might come up with these suggestions:

1. Knowing the cause of the trouble, you can set your mind in action to effect a remedy. The remedy is deeper breathing, of course. A couple of slow, deep breaths will force the diaphragm to release its grip.

2. Calmly survey the room and audience as you sit by, waiting to do your stint. Do it even though you don't feel very calm.

3. As you breathe deeply, frame in your mind the first few words you are going to say. Think cool thoughts, in other words.

4. Plant yourself firmly in speaking position before you begin to speak. Don't be in too great a hurry to get started. Rub the shine off the ball and use the rosin bag, so to speak.

As you gain control of your nervousness you get a bonus. That is, you will be in better voice. Resonance of voice is born in your relaxed chest cavity. A thinner, piping voice will come out if a tight diaphragm has reduced the volume of your chest.

The ability to organize a talk logically and to handle stagefright intelligently are the two most prominent characteristics of successful speakers. There is one more element, however, demanding consideration. That is the control of mannerisms. Here are some don'ts to guide you:

1. Don't hang your head. Start out by choosing a single listener, look at the knot in his tie, and talk to him. (If you look him straight in the eye he may distract you.) Then move from one listener to another with your eyes because you want to address yourself to the entire group.

2. Don't put your hands in your pockets. Hands-in-pockets is a relaxed position and your audience may take a cue from you and go back to sleep. If you feel uncomfortable with your hands at your sides, clasp them in front of you. You'll be able to keep them under control that way.

3. Don't pace back and forth. Have enough interest in what you are saying to permit you to hold still and say it.

One final hint is in order. Don't memorize your talk. Few of us are called upon to make lengthy talks, which in some instances may have to be read. Usually, in presenting relatively short talks, it is possible to organize one's thinking around several key points and to talk naturally on these points. A memorized talk can hardly be sincere, and sincerity is the hallmark of good speakers.

Of course you can't become an accomplished speaker merely by reading this material, any more than you can learn to mine coal by reading a book about it or learn to swim by watching someone else take swimming lessons. Speaking in public, like all other skills, is learned by doing. Then practice and more practice makes perfect.

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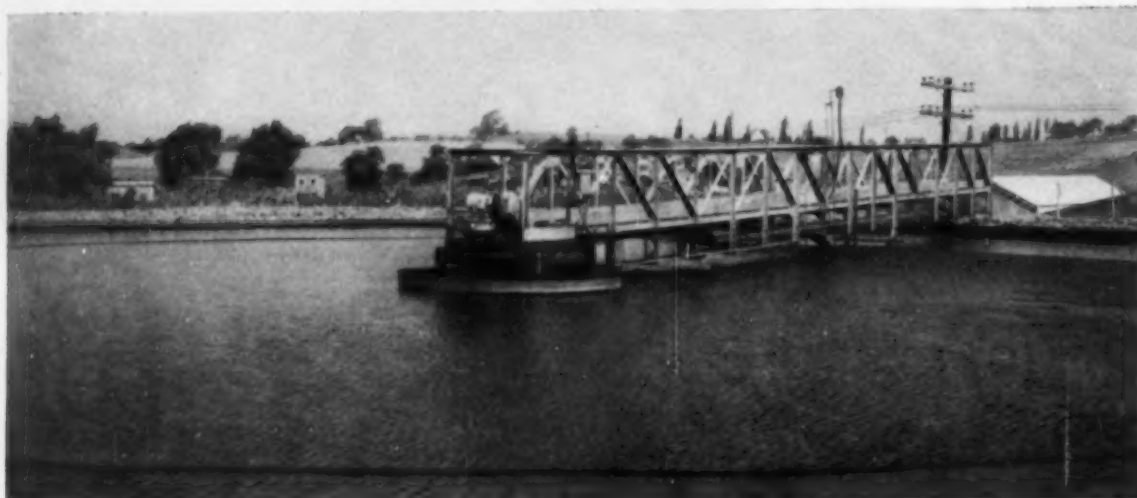
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OVER-ALL VIEW across 75-ft thickener, with overflow launder in foreground and top of basin on far side.

## Earth Basin Cuts Thickening Cost

AN EARTHEN-BASIN THICKENER—familiar in the nonmetallics industry for clarification of wastes and recovery of plant water—is being used for the first time in the coal industry at the Hostetter (Pa.) washing plant of the Jamison Coal & Coke Co. A 50-ft-diameter Dorr Type S thickener mechanism in a 75-ft-diameter earthen basin dewateres plant refuse, producing a clear overflow for return to the main washing plant. Use of the earthen basin reduced the cost of the installation appreciably as compared with conventional types of tank construction.

The earthen basin at Jamison is in the general form of an inverted truncated cone. The bottom, slightly over 50 ft in diameter, slopes gradually toward the center at the same angle as the thickener rake arms. Earth sidewalls are banked upward at about 45 deg to form the 75-ft over-all tank diameter. Solids settling in the outer unraked section of the basin flow down the steep sidewalls by gravity and are picked up by the rake arms which, as in conventional units, convey them to a central discharge port.

Refuse at 8 to 10% solids is pumped to the thickener at a rate of 550 gpm. Underflow averaging 35% solids is thickened to approximately 65% solids in a Peterson TFR Roto-Disc filter and delivered to a standard Peterson TFR disk filter. The cake from the disk filter is discharged to refuse. As the filters are



WASHING-PLANT REFUSE containing 8 to 10% solids is clarified at 550 gpm in this earthen-basin thickener recovering water for re-use at Jamison.

equipped with wire cloth, the cloudy filtrate is recirculated to the thickener feed. Refuse contains fine coal and pyrites, with 1.8% retained on 100 mesh and 13.2% on 200 mesh; 73.8% of this

feed passes a 325-mesh screen. During initial operation, fine-coal silt sealed cracks and openings in the basin, with the result that no water is lost by seepage through the bottom or sidewalls.



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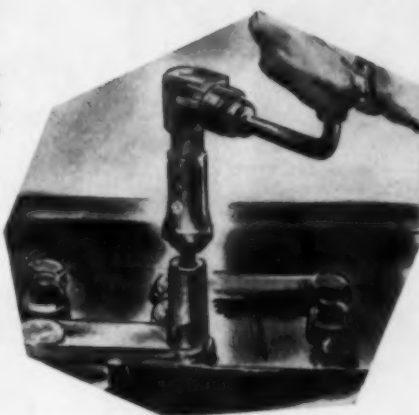
### HERE'S MONEY-SAVING MAINTENANCE TIP #1

Accidental damage in even the best regulated operations can put a cell out of commission. Here's a tip from the Gould Plus Performance Plan on how to easily remove and repair a cell.



#### 1. Remove Connectors ▶

We recommend using a special drill (Gould Part No. 35459C) which allows the cell post to remain by cutting the bond to the lead insert of the cover.

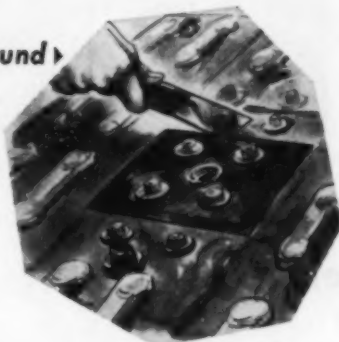


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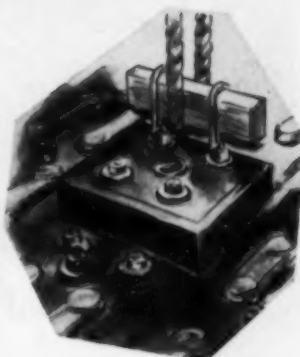
#### 2. Remove Compound ▶

from between jar to be removed and adjacent cells. Use a warm compound knife for this purpose. Pour a little penetrating oil or kerosene mixed with regular oil into space between cells for lubricant.



#### 3. Pull the Cell ▶

The best way is to screw a Gould Cell Puller (Part Number 77061) to the negative post remaining after drilling in No. 1. Then attach hoist and lift. If a cell has two negative posts, use two cell pullers, attaching the hoist to a piece of wood placed through the cell puller loops.



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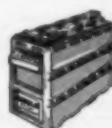
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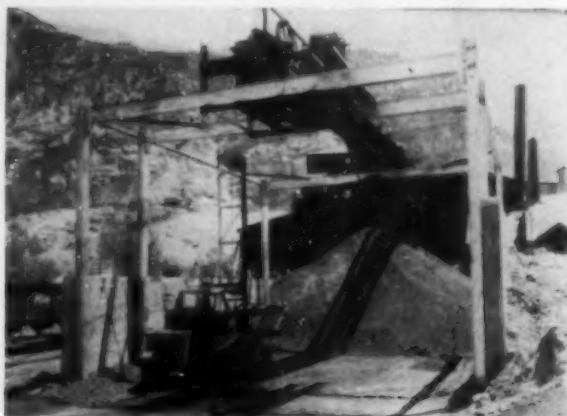
## Trolley Wire Channels Cut at Lower Cost



CHANNELING LOW ROOF at cross-overs (left photo) to raise the trolley wire for clearing the tops of locomotives, mine cars and other mobile equipment, and to guard the wire, is done with a roof drill and special bit at Wilson Creek mine of the Stephens-Elkhorn Fuel Corp., Manton, Floyd County, Ky. (p 106).

Cutting a channel 40 ft long in the firm shale top is accomplished now in one man-shift instead of three.

A Type RBD-30 Chicago-Pneumatic electric-motor-driven roof drill is used in channeling. A special 5/8-in-diameter Style SD Kennametal bit with 3/4-in square shank and a 1 1/2-in diameter pilot 6 in long, shown in the photo at the left by Dexter Caudill, chief electrician, was built by Kennametal, Inc., to company specifications for the job. The pilot holes provide places for installing trolley hanger expansion shells. The roof drill and special bit also are used for regular handling of trolley wire.

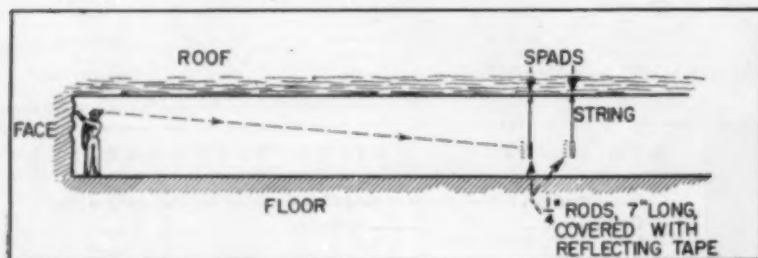


## Coal Storage and Reloading Made Easy

LOW COST and convenience feature the coal storage and reclamation facilities at the Royal mine of the Royal Coal Co., Royal, Utah, shown in the accompanying photographs. The storage area is alongside the empty tracks above the plant, and was outlined by pouring concrete retaining walls of the desired height and length along two sides.

Storage coal is brought out from the plant by a scraper

conveyor mounted on A-type legs, except at the outby end where, to provide a parking area for trucks during loading, the conveyor was put on overhead beams. Reloading is done by a Scopmobile, which can operate between the A-frames and the retaining walls, and thus can work back the entire length of the storage area, if desired in reclaiming the coal from the pile.



## Reflecting Rods Permit One Man to Extend Centers

WITH THE AID of two metal rods covered with Scotchlite tape, one man can extend the centerline of a working place to the face, writes Victor S. Veazey, Pratt, W. Va. The rods are hung in the last set of spads and the man extending the centerline walks to the face, shines his light on the rods and puts himself on the centerline. He then marks the center on the coal face or on the roof.

To make the job of sighting easier, one rod is covered with white tape and the other with red. Strings for hanging the rods are attached to ring eyes in the ends of the rods.

# Electrical answers for more efficient coal preparation

From his electrical experience with three of the world's largest coal laundries, R. L. Killebrew, Westinghouse Engineer, points to lower cost operation by coordinating:

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Starting at the planning stage and through equipment installation, Westinghouse has found many ways to unburden you, and your cleaning plant designer, of electrical problems. Let's take a look at the results in terms of more efficient operation.

**NEXT PAGE, how coal handling becomes more automatic.** →



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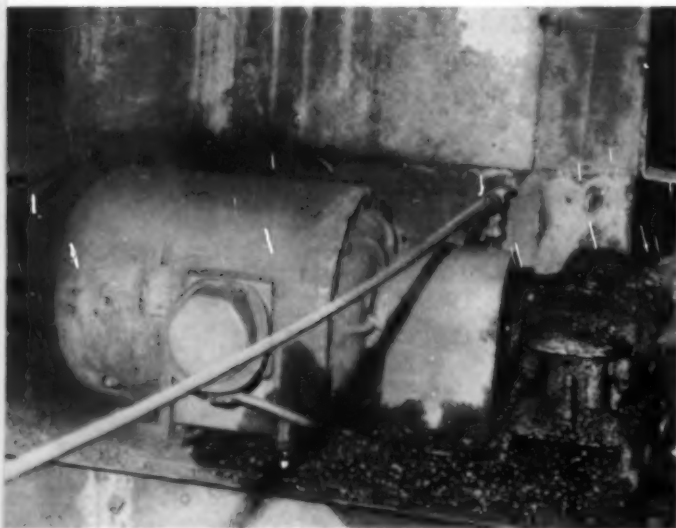
## Plan automatic coal handling to reduce man power, increase tonnage

**At Hanna's Georgetown Plant, Cadiz, Ohio,** only 5 men, using Westinghouse Drive Equipment and Centralized Control, clean 1500 tons of coal per hour. One man loads 5 railroad cars simultaneously. Three electric eyes help weigh the loaded cars.

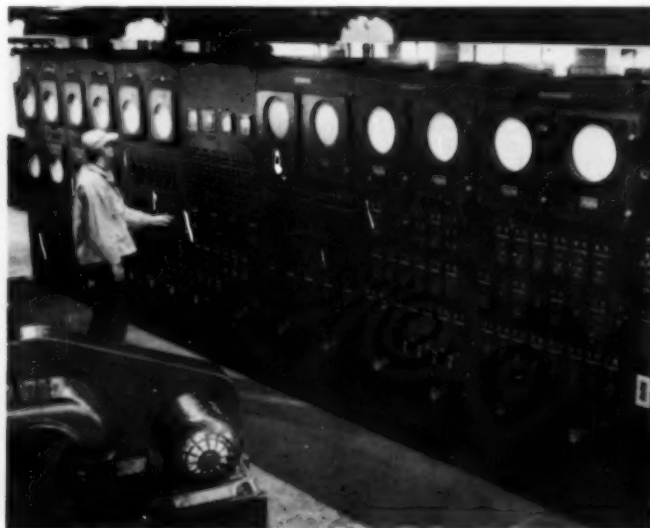
**At J&L's Vesta Plant, Fredericktown, Pa.,** 2000 tons per hour of high-grade metallurgical coal are cleaned and blended for steelmaking. Coordinated

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**U. S. Steel's Robena Plant, Robena, Pa.,** turns out 1200 tons of coal per hour. Through the large, Westinghouse-equipped, control board, one man starts and automatically controls related conveyors and process equipment.



This Life-Line motor in TEFC enclosure can't be stopped by coatings of abrasive coal dust at J&L's Vesta Plant. The motor's sealed, pre-lubricated bearings never need greasing. Dirt can't be pumped into the bearing by frequent greasing.



Control boards, like this one at the Robena Plant, can be placed in out-of-the-way locations or in pressurized rooms. Sequence motor starting automatically starts equipment in proper order. Individual motor control is also provided.

## Dependability—key to profitable automatic operation

The demands of continuous coal processing have shown the operators of these plants the value of dependable Westinghouse Drives, planned to meet operating conditions such as:

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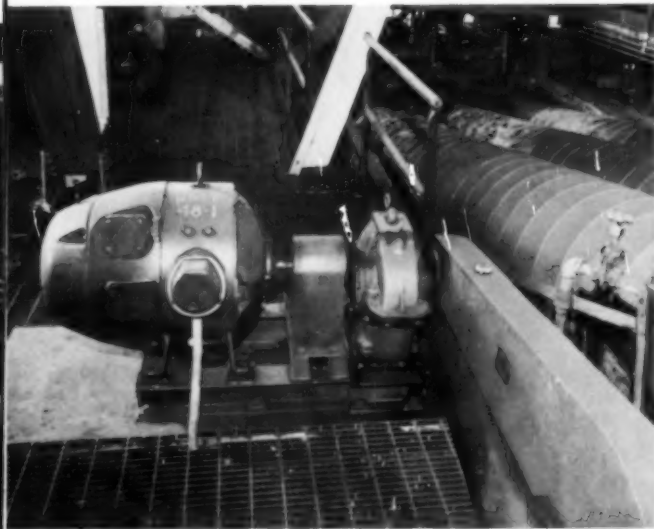
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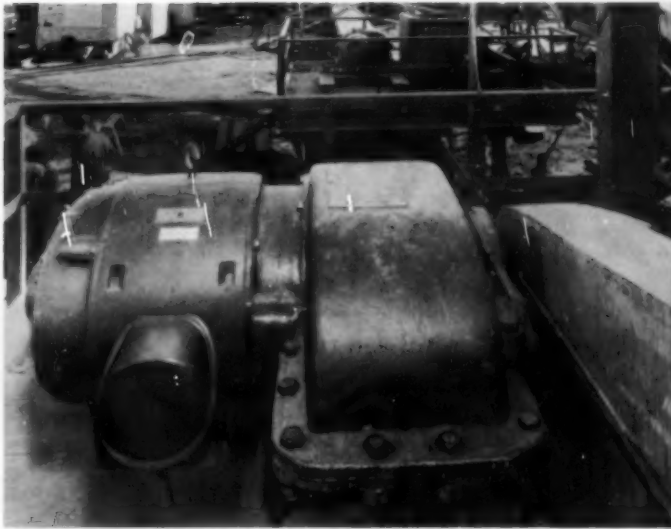
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**NEXT PAGE, how power distribution forms the framework for economy** ►

YOU CAN BE **SURE**...IF IT'S  
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A Westinghouse D-C Motor and Speed Reducer drive an Atkins medium-spiral densifier at the Robena Plant. This unit provides variable speed operation to regulate the rate at which damp coal is brought up into the chutes.



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At J&L's Vesta Plant four Westinghouse 1500-kva, 4160/480-volt, Type ASL Transformers, with associated low-voltage switchgear and capacitors, are pictured right; motor control centers are shown left.

## Economy in bringing higher voltage close to the load

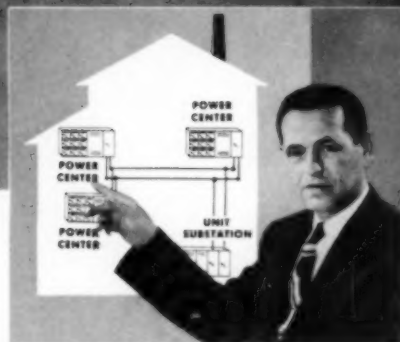
Seven Westinghouse Power Centers are used to bring primary voltage into load areas at Hanna's Georgetown Plant. Only 3 kwhr per ton of coal cleaned is the average power consumption here.

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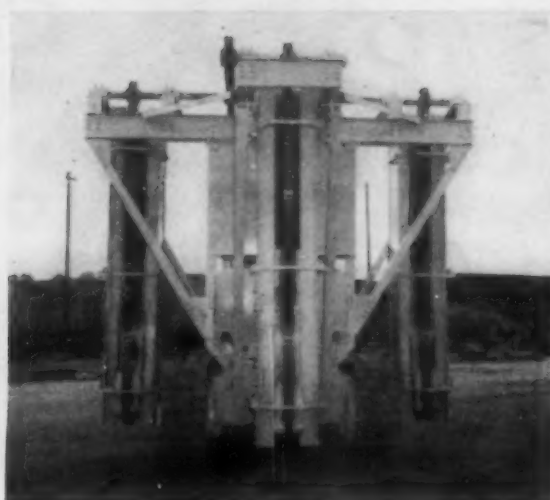
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**MORE PUNCH FOR PINNING COAL**—Front (left photo) and rear views of triple-action coal buster reveal rugged construction. Size and multiple pinning action are keys to machine's efficiency.

## Bigger, Faster Pit Unit

"EQUIPMENT IS GETTING BIGGER all the time. It's got to be that way."

In those words, a roving official of Sinclair Coal Co., fifth largest commercial bituminous producer in the Nation, recently summed up what he sees as, week after week, he travels over the far-flung operations of his company and its affiliates.

Bigness alone, this official points out, has no real merit in and for itself. For instance, his company never would operate 70-ton trailers simply for the sake of having the biggest trailers anywhere around. But, he explains, bigness and efficiency often are closely knit together, especially in handling massive tonnages of bulk materials such as overburden and coal. And that, he says, is why strip-mining equipment is getting bigger and bigger.

This trend toward more size, greater capacity and higher efficiency reflects Sinclair's relentless search for lower-cost ways to produce coal. Recently, that search has produced a three-place pinning machine, built in the shop at the Tiger mine, Hume-Sinclair Coal Mining Co., Hume, Mo., for use in the pit of a nearby affiliate, Power Coal Co., Montrose, Mo.

Size and multiple action are the keys to efficiency in the big three-place pinning machine built this spring for breaking the 24-in coal seam in the Power pit. Tested first on the relatively soft coal in the Tiger pit, the machine is expected to work even better on the harder Power coal.

The pinning rig is built on a Caterpillar D-8 tractor with a Caterpillar 130-hp diesel engine. But before the men in the Tiger shop actually began work on the machine, they asked Caterpillar engineers whether the D-8 would carry the additional load planned. With a go-

ahead from Caterpillar, the Tiger shop started work.

The completed machine, shown in the accompanying photographs shortly before being trucked in June, 1954, to the Power mine, carries three 7,000-lb weights, one mounted on the rear of the D-8 and one on each side. The piercing point at the bottom of each weight is 8 in long, tapering from 5 in at the base to about 3 in at the tip. Weights are dropped simultaneously every 10 sec from a height of 9 ft 5 in. Arrangement of the weights, with side units 10 ft 10 in apart and the rear unit on the center line of the tractor, leaves a trail of pinned holes on 5-ft centers in the wake of the machine.

Power for lifting the weights is taken off the front-end drive of the D-8 through a vertical V-belt drive using six 240 DV belts. Tension is maintained on the V-belts by a six-groove pivotable sheave that can be locked in place with a single bolt. Power is transmitted through a Twin-Disc duplex clutch, Model E-14. One of the clutches transmits power on toward the lifting mechanism. The other clutch acts as a brake, enabling the operator to hold the weights suspended while moving from one spot to the next or while tramming in the pit or elsewhere.

Power continues into a Foote Bros. worm-gear reducer, Type 20-S, with a ratio of 12:1, whence it proceeds via chain to sprockets at the headshafts.

Speeds in the successive stages of power transmission are as follows:

Engine crankshaft, up to 900 rpm  
Input to reducer, up to 600 rpm  
Worm-gear output, up to 50 rpm  
Sprocket output at headshaft, up to 34 rpm

For hoisting the three weights, a total of 110 ft of Baldwin roller chain, 1½-in

roller and 2½-in pitch, is used. The chain weighs 12.9 lb per foot. The tail-shaft sprocket, on which the hoisting chain turns at the bottom of the shaft, is mounted on a spring-mounted axle to absorb shock and ease the strain on the chain. The weight itself is hoisted by lifting lugs welded on a single link of the chain. Thus if a lug breaks under strain, a spare link with welded lugs can be inserted in the chain with a minimum of lost time and effort.

Rectangular shafts inside which the weights travel up and down are made of ¾-in steel plate, welded along the corners except for a 4-ft side panel at the bottom, which is bolted and thus can be removed easily if the weight must be taken out. Steel wearing strips inside each shaft protect the shaft itself from wear. Each shaft is suspended at the top of the rig from a 4-in pin. At the bottom, the shafts rest on non-rigid supporting plates, enabling the shafts to "give" with twists of the tractor frame.

Flat treads 18-in wide now replace the conventional 24-in cleated treads on the tractor crawlers. With flat treads, the crawler now has more effective bearing surface than with the wider cleated treads and, in addition, does not pulverize the coal.

Total weight added to the D-8 adds up to 14 tons, including the weights and pins plus supporting structures, speed reducers, driveshafts and shafts for the three weights. To support this additional weight, Roy Houck, master mechanic at the Tiger mine, had the big standard spring for the D-8 replaced with a box resting in a cradle, as suggested by Caterpillar engineers. The machine trams at 5 mph.

A steel plate above the operator's head protects him from grease droppings and from falling chain, if it should break.



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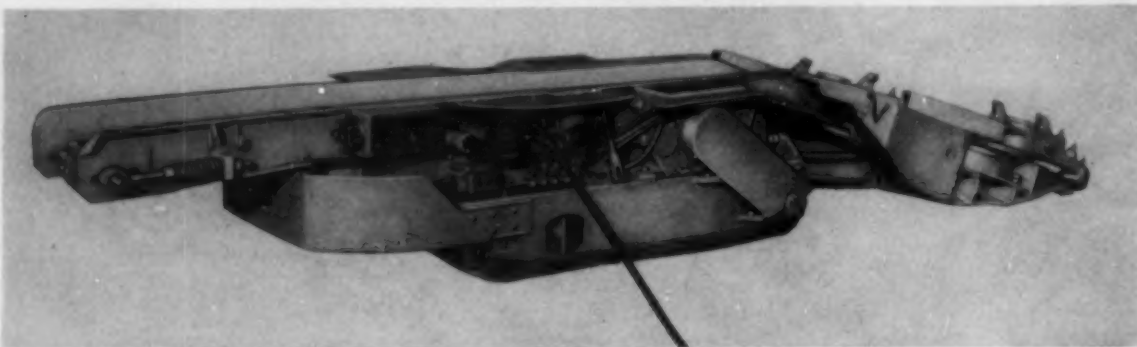
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# EQUIPMENT NEWS

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## New Loader Designed for Continuous Conveyor Systems (1)

The Long Co., Oak Hill, W. Va., has announced its new Model 88 "Pigloader" as the first loading machine specifically designed for use with the Long "Piggyback" conveyors developed to assure uninterrupted haulage from the face.

Suitable for operation with either the PT-12 or PT-15 Piggybacks, the crawler-mounted Model 88 Pigloader is a low-height, heavy duty machine capable of continuous high-capacity production and is sturdily constructed to withstand the hard usage imposed by the high-tonnage Piggyback mining system, the maker reports. All machine operations are driven

by a single USBM-approved 35-hp electric motor and all drives are mechanical.

Among the features of the new unit cited by the company are the long wheel base with wide tracks that provides high stability and positive operation even in soft coal, extreme maneuverability and simplified operation. Operator fatigue is minimized and efficiency increased, it is pointed out, with a single bank of fingertip control valves for the hydraulic control of all functions, tramming, raising and lowering of the head and tail and operation of the conveyor chain and gathering arms. The short length of the unit (16 ft),

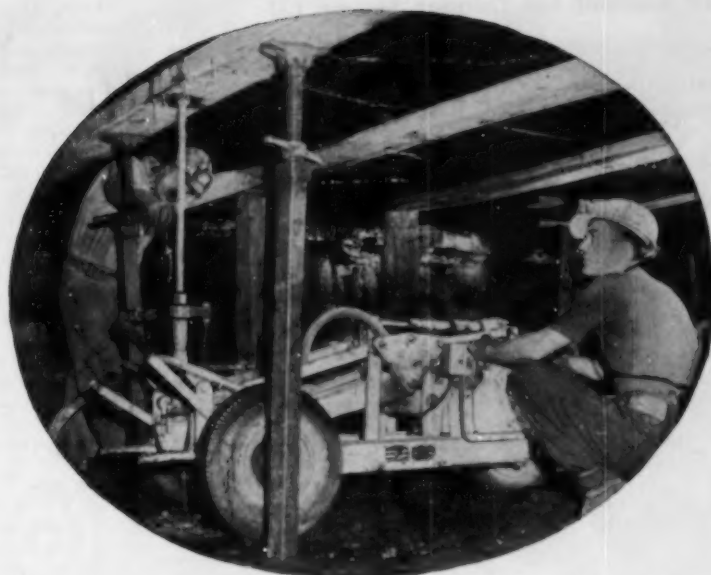
low over-all height (26 in) and narrow width (5 ft 8 in) are combined to facilitate operation in close quarters and low coal, and the Pigloader also facilitates better roof control and better timbering in break-through areas, it is said.

The Pigloader has a rated capacity of 3 tpm, average; 5 tpm, maximum. Tramming speed is 120 fpm and the unit weighs 14,000 lb. Electrical control is non-reversing magnetic with start-stop push buttons and conveyor chain is of heavy duty single-strand design. Circle No. 1 on the postage-free card facing p 132 for full details from The Long Co.

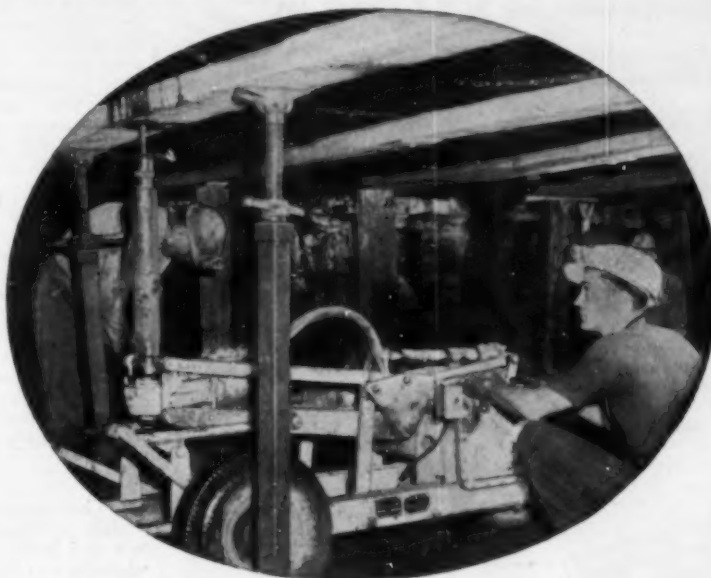
## Waterless Roof Drill Offers Dust-Free Operation (2)

A practical answer to the problem of clean, fast roof-bolt drilling is provided by the Holman "Dryductor" air-driven percussion drill, according to the Goodman Mfg. Co., Chicago 9, exclusive seller of the unit in the U. S. In operation, the Dryductor extracts dust and chips as they are made, passes them through the drill and draws them away from the operator and the face via a pipe line to a dust collector. No suction cups, water lines or other devices are required and the hole is ready for bolting as soon as the drill is withdrawn. During drilling there is no dust in the air and since water is not used there is no sludge in the drill hole or water on the mine bottom, the company points out. Hand-held or used with any type of light mounting, the Dryductor can drill up, down, horizontally or at any angle, and a double telescopic stopper leg available in various sizes permits maximum-depth holes with a minimum of hole changes. Both drill and dust collector are approved by the USBM. Circle No. 2 on the postage-free card for complete details from Goodman.





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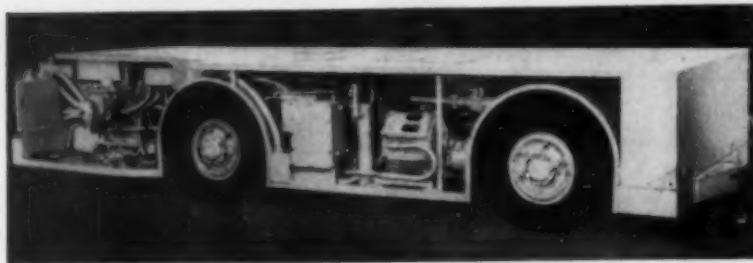
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### Low-Height Track Cleaner for Thinner Seams (3)



Its new 30-in Canton track cleaner designed for operation in thinner seams incorporates many of the time-proven principles of the 40-in machine as well as various new features of design and construction, according to the American Mine Door Co., Canton 6, Ohio. Among the new features cited by the maker are: hydraulic control, with plows adjustable while traveling without manual action; fluid-drive coupling that uncouples motor if conveyor jams and requires no shear pins or resetting; variable cleaning width from 6 in outside rail to maximum of 54 in from center of rail, with plow wings adjustable while machine is operating; extra wide throat clearance to handle large lumps; drive chains of steel bushed chain for severe service, with adjustment for wear and shortening; accessibility of motor and reducer outside frame; and simplified rail scraper not subject to damage by frogs or guard rails. Mechanical track cleaning with its Canton units costs only one-tenth to one-third of hand methods, and the machines quickly pay for themselves if recovered spillage is salvageable, the company points out. Bulletin 139 with full data from American Mine Door.

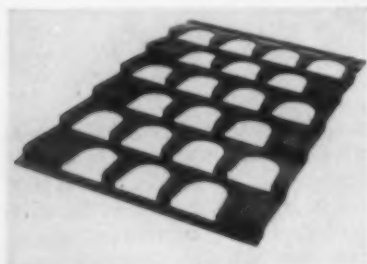
### Self-Contained Compressors for Air Shooting (4)



A new portable high-pressure compressor designed for use with the Armstrong Airbreaker tube in breaking out underground coal now is being marketed by the Explosives Div., Olin Industries, Inc., E.

Alton, Ill., as the Armstrong Coalbreaker on a lease or purchase basis. The 6-stage compressor is powered by a 50-hp motor and provides pressures up to 12,000 psi. It is available in two models, semi-port-

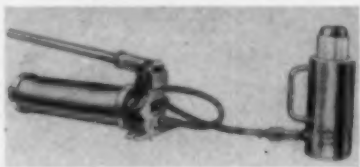
able (non-self tramping) and full-portable (self tramping), each with either wheel mounting for track use or rubber-tired wheels for trackless mining. The units weigh 16,000 and 20,000 lb, respectively, and are as low as 35 in high, 63 to 76 in wide and under 14½ ft long. Featuring full flexibility, the semi-portable model was designed for convenient location underground to eliminate excessive air-transmission lines, while the fully portable unit, powered with a 10-hp permissible motor and equipped with 350 ft of cable, is intended for operation in the working sections either positioned back of the face or as a part of the regular mining cycle. Economical operation, increased safety, on-shift shooting without delays, easy loading and variable coal sizes produced, are among the features of the Armstrong Coalbreaker system cited by the company. Full data from Olin.



### SCREEN CUTS BLINDING (5)

Hendrick Mfg. Co., Carbondale, Pa., offers a flanged lip screen for vibrating and shaking screens said to practically eliminate blinding. Key to the screen's non-blinding success is its tapered shape of openings and steps of openings that provide far better separation, the maker points out. Hendrick flanged lip screens are furnished with openings varying from

0.010x0.025x½ in to 10½x11½x13 in. Details from company.



### 50-TON HYDRAULIC JACK (6)

A new 50-ton remote-controlled hydraulic jack announced by Templeton, Kenly & Co., Broadview, Ill., consists of a hydraulic ram, a high-pressure connecting hose and a pump. It is designed for use in confined quarters under loads with minimum clearance and in other locations where the additional safety and convenience of remote operation is desirable. The ram has a minimum height of 10½-in and a 5½-in lift. For faster operation, the

pump has an automatic switchover which permits rapid positioning of the unloaded ram and low-speed powerful pumping when the ram lifts the load. A safety bypass valve prevents over-loading. Full details from company.

### MULTIPLE-BELT DRIVE (7)

New Browning-type "Poly-V" (Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc., trademark) drives are multiple V-belts molded as a single unit, running on matching sheaves and combining the advantages of V-belts with the simplicity of flat belts, the company says. Among the advantages cited are the elimination of the belt-matching problem and utilization of a space-saving drive with narrower sheaves, shorter centers, higher capacity and all members "in match" for constant and continuous uniform pull across full belt and sheave width. Bulletin 2098 with complete design and application data offered by the Browning Mfg. Co., Maysville, Ky.



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## Universal tires roll 125,000 miles under 40 tons of coal

**T**HE Colonial Coal Company of Madisonville, Kentucky, hauls coal from the stripping pit to the mine tippie. Forty tons is the weight of the average load carried by the company's 20 trucks over rugged gravel and cobblestone roads. The trucks roll as many as 60 hours a week—and every one is equipped with B. F. Goodrich Universal tires.

Some of the Universal tires now in



"UNIVERSAL TIRES are better than any other make of tire I know," says Everett Offit (above), driver for Colonial Coal Co. This company averages over 5,400 hours of service from BFG tires.

use have seen 125,000 miles of this severe service. Colonial reports Universal tires can be recapped as many as three times. One reason for such outstanding performance records is the Universal tread. It is specially compounded to resist snags and cuts. The husky, non-directional cleats resist skidding and slippage, pull through the roughest going faster and easier.

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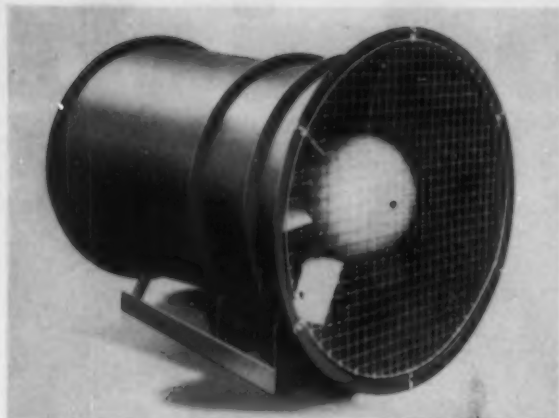
SHASTA COAL CORP., Bicknell, Ind., is another user of B. F. Goodrich tires. "We like the Universal tread over other treads," the company reports. "It holds the road better." (Center Rib Universal is shown at right.)

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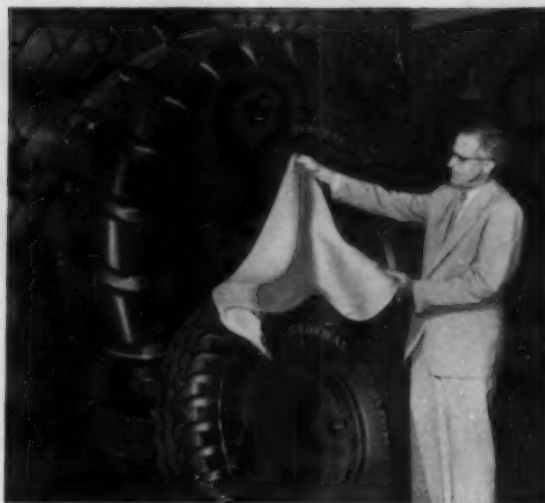
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### Mine Fans Designed for High Efficiency (8)

A new 6F Series "Aerodyne" fan available in various sizes for mine ventilation up to 5-in water gage has been announced by the Jeffrey Mfg. Co., Columbus 16, Ohio. Designed to combine low cost with high efficiency, the portable 6F Series Aerodyne is a self-contained unit that needs no bearing alignment after installation, the maker says. The fan features universally adjustable blades made of cast-aluminum alloy mounted on a solid aluminum hub, with flange-mounted antifriction bearings, and is available with different lengths of expansion discharge for varying duties. The new 6F Series has an overhung drive and fan wheel and can be belt-driven up to 125 hp, or to a higher horsepower with a direct-connected drive. Full details from Jeffrey.



### More Strength for Off-Road Tires (9)

"Nygen" fabric, said by the company to be the strongest ever devised for tire carcass construction, now is being used in the manufacture of all giant tires produced by The General Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio. Used previously in passenger car and truck tires, Nygen, a specially treated cord, now is available in the company's line of off-the-road tires in sizes ranging from 12.00x20 to 27.00x33. According to the company, the resilient strength of Nygen resists impact breaks and bruises from the power of earthmovers working at high speed in the roughest terrain. In addition to its load-carrying and shock-absorbing qualities, the Nygen off-the-road giant is particularly well-suited for vehicles engaged in strip mining and similar work because of its water-resistant features, it is said. Data from company.



### New 3-Cu Yd Shovel (10)

New Model 71-B 3-cu yd shovel (left), readily convertible to dragline, clamshell or lifting crane, has been developed by Bucyrus-Erie Co., S. Milwaukee, Wis., to complement its line of individually designed crane-excavators and is said to incorporate the basic engineering features and field-proven advantages of the company's general-purpose excavators. The major features cited by the maker include: positive twin-rope crowd with rectangular inside dipper handle; strong light boom; fully independent boom hoist; full air control (not just air assist) except for drum brakes and swing and propel jaw clutches; torque-converter drive (also available without torque converter); one-piece cast-steel revolving frame; choice of four A-frames; 12 conical hook rollers; four optional crawler mountings; and steering clutches and friction digging brakes spring-set and air-released. The 71-B is powered by a 6-cylinder GM diesel engine equipped with a Torcon torque converter and features a 27-ft shovel boom of welded structural steel. Full data from Bucyrus-Erie.



### "PACKAGED" MAGNETIC POWER (11)

New self-contained magnetic pulley-type separation unit manufactured by

Magnetic Engineering & Mfg. Co., Clifton, N.J., in both electro-magnetic and permanent (Alnico non-electric) designs, is "packaged" in stationary or portable styles, horizontal or inclined, open or fully enclosed, depending on requirements. A new feature of the permanent magnetic type is Memco's recently developed "radial design" which, according to the maker, permits the ferrous material to bridge the magnetic gap, providing extra-strong cross-pole pull through magnet placement perpendicular to the pulley circumference. Catalog 602-4 describing the full line is available.

### WET DUST COLLECTOR HANDLES PROBLEM DUSTS (12)

New Pangborn Type "CW-1" centrifugal wet dust collector was developed, the company says, for those dust-control problems which cannot be solved with cloth-type collectors, such as: (1) high temperature or moisture; (2) explosive or combustible dusts; (3) corrosive, highly abrasive and/or obnoxious dusts; and (4) combinations of the foregoing. Designed to handle problem dusts safely but efficiently, the Type "CW-1" collector is of counter-current design (air flow counter-

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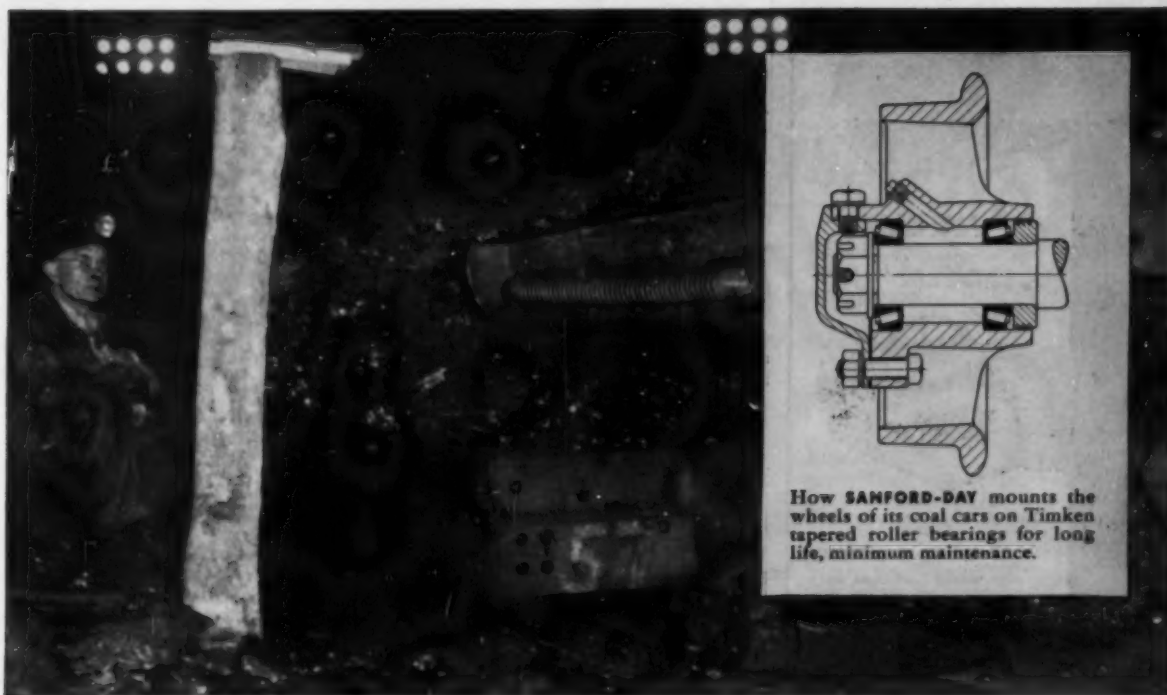
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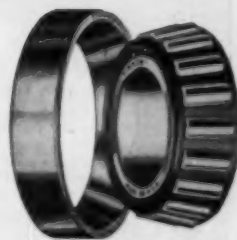
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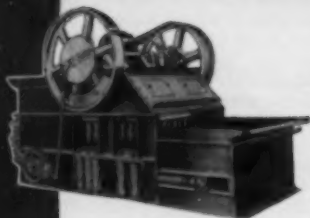
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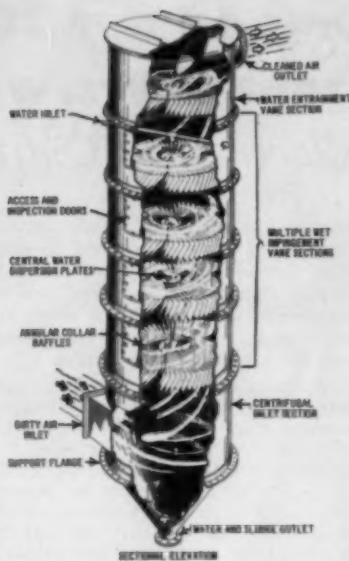
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current to water flow) and tower-type construction, and consists of multiple wet vane sections and a final water-entrainment vane section. The diameter of the collector varies with air volume handled and the number of wet vane sections is governed by application requirements. Water enters above the top wet vane section and flows downward or counter to the upward flowing air, entering through the lower tangential inlet. The patented vane design provides greatly increased impingement surface and imparts vigorous, centrifugal action to both the air and water to produce thorough intermixing, with increased capacity in reduced space and no channeling, it is said. Water and dust are discharged as sludge from the lower cone, and clean air from the air outlet at the top. After clarification in settling tanks, water may be recirculated. Specifications and application information from Pangborn Corp., Hagerstown, Md.



### TRUCK TIRE ADDS MILEAGE (13)

A totally new design of heavy-duty truck tire featuring improved performance and significant economies has been announced by the Dunlop Tire & Rubber Corp., Buffalo, N. Y. Mileage appears to be at least one-third above that of existing top-grade tires, according to extensive road tests under extreme conditions of overloading reported by the maker. Major design innovations listed by the company

include: a special mold design that permits tire tread to flatten under inflation without the usual deformation; elimination of excess rubber in tread shoulders, reducing tire-running temperature 10 deg; new Super Cordura rayon cord of superior tensile strength; plus an improved carbon black for better abrasion resistance and tread wear. Full details from company.



### PORTABLE DRILL RIGS (14)

New portable drill rigs introduced by Drilling Accessory Mfg Co., Dallas, Tex., are designed for fast blasthole and waterwell or core drilling with only minor adjustments required for each operation. The units are available in two sizes, for rated capacities of 1,250 and 2,000 ft of 2½-in drill pipe, respectively. Among the features cited by the maker are standardization of air clutches in the drums; use of hydraulic torque-converter coupling and auxiliary transmission on the mud pump; all chains and bearings operating in an oil bath, with all chains the same size to cut parts cost; and similar uniformity for the hydraulic pistons and all ring gears and pinion. Standardization on parts provides not only economy but also greater convenience, especially where the units are used in extremely isolated locations or abroad, the company points out. Bulletin available.

### CABLE ELECTRIC HOIST (15)

Its new cable Quik-Lift electric hoists are available in capacities from 500 to 4,000 lb, with a choice of lifting speeds and types of suspension to answer the need for a fast, flexible unit on many industrial applications, according to the Coffing Hoist Co., Danville, Ill. In addition to offering strength and long life for heavy-duty service, the company reports, the new hoists provide push-button control; large, separate load and motor brakes; foolproof limit switch; and the new Coffing positive-lock safety hooks for extra protection. Bulletin CQ with full data from Coffing Hoist.

### PRESS-FIT MILL BEARINGS (16)

The recently announced Link-Belt line of "Mill Bearings" has been augmented to include pillow blocks with heavy-duty self-aligning roller bearings for press fit on shafts. As with other Link-Belt mill bearings, the new series LPK7800F bearings have steel split housings, and they





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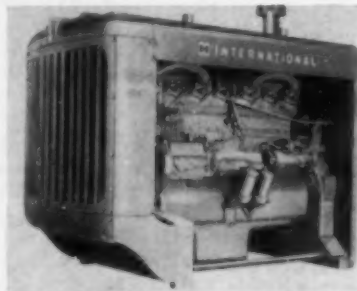
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## RUBBER-TYPE ENGINE DRIVE ABSORBS MISALIGNMENT (17)

Availability of "Rubber Block Drive" for general use on powered industrial equipment has been announced by Twin Disc Clutch Co., Racine, Wis., and Rockford, Ill. A special-type drive developed primarily for Twin Disc torque converters and disconnecting fluid power take-offs, and now standard on them, it provides for the absorption of both angular and parallel misalignment. Although Twin Disc rubber block drive is generally mounted to absorb both angular and parallel misalignment, it can be easily adapted to form a piloting-type coupling to handle angular misalignment only, the company says. The drive is offered in four sizes at present and details of its adaptability to any-type powered equipment are available from Twin Disc.



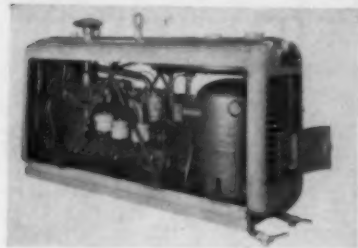
## 203-HP POWER UNIT (18)

The new UD-1091 diesel power unit, largest in International Harvester's seven-model line, has been announced to replace the UD-24 unit. The engine produces 203 intermittent horsepower or 162.4 continuous horsepower at 1,400 rpm, and as a power unit, 190 and 152 hp, respectively. With the same piston displacement and dimensions as the UD-24, the UD-1091 offers a net maximum torque of 793 lb at 1,000 rpm, as compared with 775 lb at 800 rpm for the UD-24. The entire unit is skid mounted and is available with various attachments and gear ratios. Full details from International Harvester Co., Chicago 1.

## 1-YD SHOVEL-CRANE (19)

New Koehring Model 405 excavator in the 20-ton lift class features a completely modern design, with only two major shafts in the upper machinery for all applications. A high-capacity machine, the 405 can be lightened for road travel because crawlers and counterweights are easily removed, and it is equipped with quick-acting automatic traction brakes. Crawler-

mounted, the 405 now is available with five attachments, with the shovel and hoe designed for buckets of 1 cu yd; the size of clamshell and dragline buckets depending on weight of material; and the crane lifting up to 20 tons. The unit will travel easily on grades up to 30% and offers various standard Koehring features. Details from the Koehring Co., Milwaukee 18, Wis.



#### COMPRESSOR SAVES SPACE IN TRUCK MOUNTING (20)

After an absence of several years, increased demand has put the 105-cfm "Utility" compressor back into its Air-master line, reports the Le Roi Co., subsidiary of Westinghouse Air Brake Co., Milwaukee 14, Wis. The new unit offers several improved features, including better air cleaning and cooling through the use of oil-bath air cleaners and a pressurized cooling system. While using the same basic engine as the Le Roi 105 portable, the Utility compressor is built up under one housing, including an upright air receiver; measures 25x82 in; and is lighter and more compact than the standard skid-mounted 105 unit. This space-conserving feature makes the Utility suitable for mounting crosswise behind a truck cab while leaving plenty of extra room for other equipment and materials, it is said. Details from Le Roi.

#### WIDER USE FOR SMALLER-SIZE BRAKE-TYPE MOTORS (21)

Short over-all length, one of the features of its new integral Brakemotor, is made possible by utilizing the motor end bracket as an integral part of the brake and permits its use in many applications formerly prohibited by space limitations, according to the Louis Allis Co., Milwaukee 7, Wis. The units utilize disk brakes and are available in NEMA motor frame sizes from 203 to 326, with brakes designed to furnish maximum continuous-duty torque from 3 ft-lb in the smaller sizes to 50 ft-lb in the largest. Various special Brakemotor electrical and mechanical modifications are also available. Among other features cited by the maker is an external wear indicator that eliminates cover removal and constant brake-lining inspection, and shows that the brake is operating properly at each engagement. Bulletin 1550 with details from company.

#### IMPROVED PILLOW BLOCKS (22)

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### PORTABLE COMPRESSOR (23)

A new 2-wheeled portable compressor with a capacity of 125 cfm has been announced by Gardner-Denver Co., Quincy, Ill. The new Model WH-125 features a 2-stage water-cooled "W"-type compressor driven by either gasoline or diesel industrial-type engine operating at moderate speed. Water-cooled compressor cylinders limit operating and discharge temperatures when the weather is hot, and in cold weather, warm water from the engine can be circulated through the compressor water jackets before the clutch is engaged to warmup and fully lubricate the compressor, the maker point out. Details from Gardner-Denver.

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(24) **pH CONTROLLER**—A new electronic indicating pH controller announced by the Bristol Co., Waterbury 20, Conn., features a newly developed high-torque, jeweled, millivoltmeter-type movement, an easy to read 7-in mirror scale, and a dust- and vaporproof case. The unit will actuate a wide variety of final control devices, permitting pH control with any type of reagent, whether liquid, gaseous, or solid. 36-p Bulletin Q1304 provides complete specifications.

(25) **PLASTIC AIR HOSE** for use with pneumatic tools, new "Bostrene" air hose is not only lighter in weight and more flexible, but it is flame and abrasion resistant as well, the maker says. Colored a bright red to permit easy identification, it is available in 3/4- and 1-in I.D. for pressures up to 120 psi. Details from Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., Box 1071, Boston 3, Mass.

(26) **IRON ALLOY**—A new, extremely hard, abrasion-resistant iron alloy, Tisco 150-Y, has been announced by the Taylor-Wharton Iron & Steel Co., High Bridge, N. J., to combat abrasion in its severest forms. Tisco 150-Y can be heat treated to 700 Brinell and field tests have indicated a life expectancy of two to six times other alloys used for the same purposes, the maker reports.

(27) **DIESEL STARTING**—All-weather direct electric starting with newly-developed glow plugs now is available for the Caterpillar D4 track-type tractor. The completely automatic push-button starting unit, which has been offered for some Caterpillar engines and electric sets, provides positive starting with fingertip con-



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(28) **UNIT HEATERS**—A new series of horizontal unit heaters designed to provide comfortable outlet temperatures on high-pressure, high-temperature steam systems has been added to the Herman Nelson line by the American Air Filter Co., Louisville 8, Ky. The new propeller-fan units can be used on steam systems of pressures up to 125 psig, with capacities ranging from 385 to 5,430 cfm (70-deg air), 17,400 to 228,000 Btu/hr. They also are suitable without modification for forced hot-water heating systems. Bulletin 700-A5 with data from company.

(29) **EXCAVATOR DRIVES** — Torque converter-engine combinations now are available as optional equipment on certain models of Bucyrus-Erie excavators. Using high-speed torque converters more economical in physical size, weight, efficiency and cost, the combinations provide maximum (stalling) torques from 200 to 225% of full-load torques of straight friction drive for a given excavator. Resultant smooth, steady power over the entire working cycle pays off in higher production, and the cushioning effect of the torque converter protects the machinery and engine from the shock loads, adding to equipment life and reducing engine wear, it is said. Details from Bucyrus-Erie Co., S. Milwaukee, Wis.

(30) **HOSE FITTINGS**—New socketless fittings and hose kit, announced by the Aeroquip Corp., Jackson, Mich., includes 17 popular fitting sizes and 24 ft each of hose in both the ¼- and ½-in sizes. Designed for shops servicing trucks, autos or earthmoving equipment, the kit permits reductions in inventory by dispensing with costly stocks of ready-made hose lines. Aeroquip socketless fittings and hose are easy to install, need no clamps or sockets and may be used for all low- and medium-pressure fuel, air, water and oil lines, it is said.

(31) **INEXPENSIVE FACE PROTECTION** for wearers of safety hard hats and caps is available with the new Bullard Lumerith acetate clip-on and swing-back type face shields that have large, clear tough, Lumerith windows for effective eye, face and throat protection. For occasional use, the Clip-On model is secured by tight gripping, spring steel slips that require no drilling of holes or attachments. For frequent use, the Swing-Back model attaches to a safety hard hat by drilling and bolting to brim and swings easily to any desired angle or overhead position

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(32) **ELECTRICAL CONTACTS** — The efficiency of Gibsloy UW-8 copper-tungsten contacts has doubled the life of the Size I contactor used in a Size I oil-immersed starter of one manufacturer and withstood the severe and confined arcing involved with very little erosion, the company says. It recommends them as electrical contacts for tap changers, other starters and oil-immersed apparatus. Details from Gibson Electric Co., Pittsburgh 21.

(33) **HEAVY-DUTY CUTTERS** in the new "Hardy" line for cutting concrete reinforcing rod, hard bolts, chain and high-strength steel strand and guy wire feature increased leverage and use of new alloys and heat treatment to give long service life with no appreciable increase in weight, the maker says. Available in capacities up to ¾-in diameter. Details from Interstate Drop Forge Co., Milwaukee, Wis.

(34) **TRUCK WINCHES**—New 7,000-lb truck winches for standard and low mounting, announced by Gar Wood Industries, Inc., Wayne Div., Wayne, Mich., are the standard-mount winch Model 7S designed for installation behind truck cabs; and the low-mount winch Model 7L, which mounts in front or at rear of truck chassis, or back of cab, and permits the entire truck platform to be used for the payload. Details from Gar Wood.

(35) **INTERCOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM** requiring no cables or installation, the six-station Talk-A-Phone LCM-8806 has a selector which enables each unit to transmit to any of the six separate channels and receive calls on any channel it selects, with as many as three separate conversations being carried on simultaneously. The maker suggests the system particularly for instant or temporary installation, since the unit plugs into the conventional electric outlet and no preparatory installation work is necessary. Details from Talk-A-Phone Co., Chicago 2.

(36) **POWER OUTLET**—Rowan Type 620-A3CX oil-immersed power outlet, designed to facilitate easy connection of portable equipment, has a manually operated, mechanically interlocked switch handle and plug that prevents the insertion or removal of plug while switch is in the on position, thus preventing an accidental shutoff of circuit power. Features cited by maker include sealed-off terminal compartment and safety jack; provision for padlocking the switch in off position; top and bottom conduit entrance; and manually operated disconnect switch with quick make-and-break mechanism. Details from Crouse-Hinds Co., Syracuse, N. Y.

(37) **TWO-WHEEL HAND TRUCK** which embodies a hydraulic lift capable of raising loads of ¼ ton to a height of 36 in is called the "Shop Caddy" and is designed as a convenient, safe means of lifting and moving heavy loads around a shop or warehouse. Other units with capacities up to 1,000 lb and lifting heights up to 78 in are available. Literature from Precision Equipment Co., Chicago 41.

(38) **SHOVEL-LOADER**—New Model TL-12 4-wheel-drive rubber-tired "Tracto-Loader" with a 1-cu yd bucket announced by the Tractomotive Corp., Deerfield, Ill., is equipped with rear-wheel power steering, a clutch-type transmission with four speeds in each direction, and a torque-converter drive with a 3:1 torque multiplication ratio. Normal maximum dumping height is 8 ft. Bulletin 946 with details offered.

(39) **OILING VALVE**—A new heavy sight-feed valve designed to control dispensing of liquid volume and permit visual observation of flow in pressure or gravity oiling systems has been announced by Oil-Rite Corp., Manitowoc, Wis. Available in ¼- to ½-in pipe threads, the new valves are equipped with needle valve control and regulate oil flow from full flow to complete shut-off with smooth, easy hairline adjustment. The sight chamber is large for

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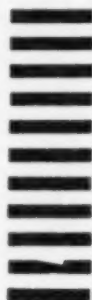
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(40) **ELECTRIC SETS**—New higher continuous ratings for Cat D337 and D326 engines and electric sets in both self- and externally-regulated types have been announced by Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria, Ill. These engines now are available for continuous operation 24 hr a

day at 1,800 rpm. Externally-regulated D337 electric sets are rated at 110 kw for 24-hr and 124 kw for 12-hr duty; externally-regulated D326 electric sets at 85 and 95 kw, respectively. Similar operation for self-regulated electric sets is available at an output of 103 and 117 kw for D337 electric sets; 80 and 90 kw for D326 electric sets.

## FREE BULLETINS AVAILABLE

(41) **POWER TRANSMISSION, CONVEYING, ETC.**—New 340-p standard products Catalog 950, issued by Link-Belt Co., Chicago 1, is designed to permit easy and rapid selection of such Link-Belt products as: chains and sprockets; enclosed gear drives; ball and roller bearings, pulleys, gears, clutches and couplings; components for screw, belt, and oscillating conveyors and bucket elevators; and engineered products, such as, vibrating screens, car spotters, etc. Full specification data, capacity charts, tables of pre-selected assemblies and ready identification of stock products are among the book's features to simplify selection and ordering.

(42) **CONVEYOR BELTING, TIRES, HOSE**—Booklet offers facts and case histories on Du Pont's "Cordura" high-tensile rayon, said to be a rugged, durable fiber with a tensile strength equivalent to 70,000 psi, and its use for conveyor belts; heavy-duty, off-the-road tires; water hose, drain hose, steam hose and air hose; and V-belts in various mines and quarries. 26-p Booklet H-6296 from Pub. Rel. Dept., E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Wilmington 98, Del.

(43) **DIESEL-ENGINE LUBRICATION**—Written for everyone interested in the lubrication of diesels, Sun Oil's 52-p Technical Bulletin B-1, "Lubrication of Diesel Engines," has been revised and updated. It discusses diesel principles and design, types of engines in use, operating cycles, engine accessories and the choice of the correct diesel lubricants, and includes a quick-reference trouble-shooting chart listing remedies for faulty performance.

Available from Sun Oil Co., Philadelphia 3.

(44) **CLASSIFIER**—The Dorr Co., Stamford, Conn., offers Bulletin 2342 on its newly announced "Dorco Jet Sizer." It describes the physical characteristics, automatic control mechanism, theory, method of operation, applications, and advantages of this new hindered-settling hydraulic classifier designed for effective sizing and grading of 8-mesh and finer solids. The unit incorporates new design features which result in more effective use of hydraulic water to produce clean, de-slimed fractions sized within narrow limits, the company says.

(45) **CRAWLER TRACTORS**—The story of the complete line of Allis-Chalmers diesel-powered crawler tractors is pictorially told in "FACTS . . . on a New Breed of Tractors" offered by Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee 1, Wis. Applications, operational methods, specific feature advantages and detailed specification data of the four crawlers in the A-C line are provided, as well as a review of crawler tractor progress during the past 100 yr.

(46) **ALLOY STEEL**—A new leaflet discussing "Jalloy, Grade 3," a special alloy steel for heavy-duty use, is available from Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa. It outlines the properties, composition, applications, case histories, and heat treatment of this general-purpose steel offering good resistance to abrasion or wear for mine, earthmoving and preparation-plant equipment.

(47) **TRACTOR-TRAILER MOVIE**—New

Athey color strip film graphically illustrates the applications, construction and design features of the new rear-dump PR21 trailer as part of a high-speed, big-capacity, rear-dump tractor-trailer unit. Details of film's showings from Athey Products Corp., Chicago 38.

(48) **INDUSTRIAL RUBBER CATALOG**—Raybestos-Manhattan, Inc., Manhattan Rubber Div., Passaic, N. J., offers new Catalog 25-C on rubber products for industry. Data cover V-belts, transmission belts, conveyor belts, all types of hose, molded products and outlines, and such new R/M products as the Poly-V drive, R/M Super-Power V-belts, "XDC" conveyor-belt cover and Hydro-Lok rubber pipe flange.

(49) **STORAGE BATTERIES**—C & D Batteries, Inc., Conshohocken, Pa., offers Specification Bulletins CP-536 and CP-537 covering its complete line of lead-calcium and lead-antimony batteries for control, switchgear and auxiliary power applications. Specifications include data on battery ratings and capacities, details of design and construction, dimensions, weights, and types of containers.

(50) **BUSHINGS**—Bulletin A-628A from the Dodge Mfg. Corp., Mishawaka, Ind., discusses the varied applications of Taper-Lock bushings, hubs and adapters for sheaves, pulleys, flywheels, couplings, sprockets, impellers, etc. Included are cross-section drawings, bushing numbers, bore sizes, dimensions, weights, keyseats and list prices.

(51) **MOUNTABLE COMPRESSOR**—Bulletin describing the Le Roi 600 CTM (compressor, tractor-mounted) points out that the recently introduced power take-off compressor is available for mounting now on any leading make of crawler tractor. Describing its application, the folder states: "A crawler with weak, worn tracks incapable of producing enough traction for dozing or scraping, usually has a good engine still worth saving." Offered by Le Roi Co., subsidiary of Westinghouse Air Brake Co., Milwaukee 14, Wis.

(52) **CORE DRILL**—Bulletin 160 offered by Sprague & Henwood, Inc., Scranton 2, Pa., provides complete information, specifications and working data on its Model 142 Core-drilling machine, a high-speed heavy duty diamond-core unit designed and built for severe and rugged service. Also listed are accessory equipment needed for diamond drilling, most of which is available for immediate delivery.

(53) **LUBRICATION FILTERS**—Trabon Engineering Corp., Cleveland 14, Ohio, offers Bulletin 545 on its Series SH and DH high-pressure lubrication filters. The light but sturdy Trabon filters are constructed of high-tensile cast aluminum with steel sump and tie rod and are built to withstand 1,000-psi working pressure and 1,800-psi test pressure.

(54) **V-BELT DRIVES**—Worthington Corp., Harrison, N. J., now is preparing a series of five easy-to-file "Trouble Savers" to help users of V-belt drives. Mailer V-1400-M39, first in this series, explains what to look for when the V-belt drive doesn't deliver maximum rpm, and shows the right and wrong ways of applying V-belt drives.

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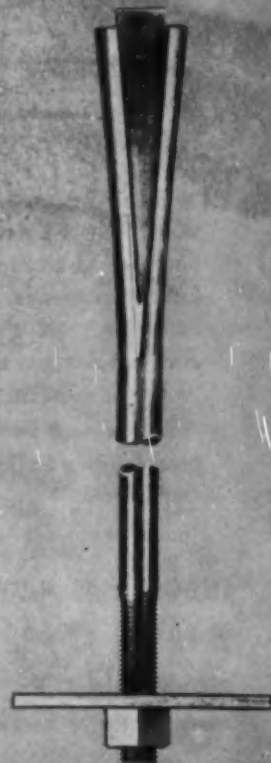
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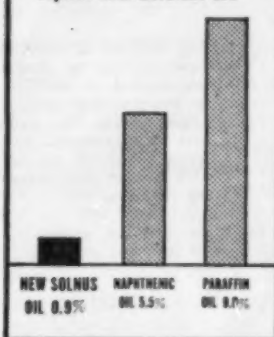
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# NEWS ROUND-UP

## Atomic Power No Threat, Coal Use to Grow, AEC Says

COAL WILL NOT SUFFER at the hands of atomic power, the Atomic Energy Commission told Congress in its latest semiannual report made public last month. The "rapidly expanding market for fuels for the generation of electricity and other purposes, and the time required for nuclear power development, should allay fears that competing fuels—particularly coal—may be hurt by the entry of nuclear power into the market," the AEC said.

At the same time, the AEC pointed to the sharp rise in U. S. fuel consumption anticipated in the next two decades and predicted that 815 million tons of coal will be used in 1975, with electric power plants requiring three times the tonnages they are currently using. In making this prediction, the AEC bears out various fuel authorities cited in *Coal Age* and elsewhere who have estimated a 1975 coal demand ranging from 750 million to 1 billion tons.

"The contribution that nuclear power can reasonably be expected to make toward total requirements for electric power by 1975 would do no more than moderate the already rapidly rising de-

mand for conventional fuels," the AEC report continued. "Because fuel supplies to meet the future generation of electricity may have to be doubled or trebled at the same time that demands on fuel for other purposes (heating, vehicles, manufacture, etc.) are also rising sharply, nuclear power is not a threat to the existing market for other fuels. Continually rising amounts of coal will be needed to supply electric generating facilities already in operation when nuclear power first becomes competitive and to fuel the larger share of new plants for an indefinite time thereafter."

Although AEC staff studies suggest that atomic energy's share of the total electrical energy production may be from 2% to 10% by 1975, the commission's report cautions that "today, no one can predict whether nuclear power in 1975 will represent 10%, 2%, or some other share of the U. S. electrical output."

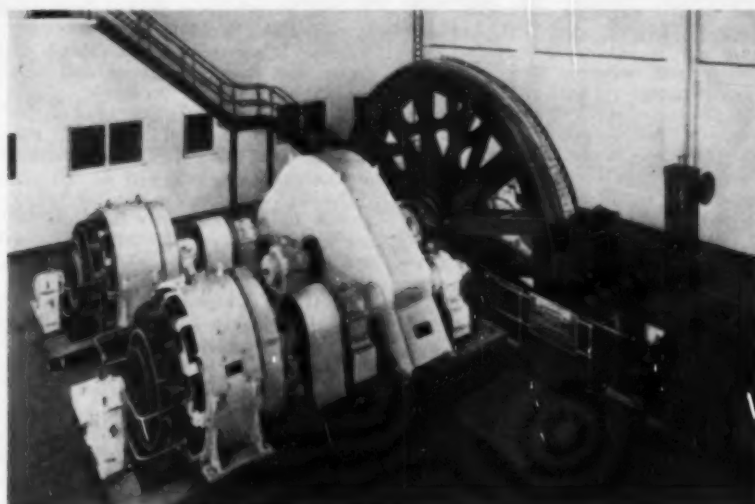
The "mastering of a new source of energy is an essential goal," the AEC maintained, because of "mounting demands for energy in all forms, the unpredictable long-term supply of fuels

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now in use (particularly oil and natural gas), and the limited number of remaining major hydroelectric sites."

In the report, the AEC also says: "The fluid fuels, oil and natural gas, now furnish the major part of our total energy requirements, and by 1975 the proportion may be as high as 70% if supply permits. Demands on this scale accompanied by gradually rising prices, might mean that oil from shales or synthetic fluids from coal would become competitive within the next 20 yr. Such demands may not lead to early exhaustion of our energy resources, but they seem likely to affect in varying degrees the cost of fuels—more so for gas and oil than for coal. Coal reserves are ample to meet projected consumption far beyond 1975, but rapidly rising rates of consumption may require us to turn in the last quarter of the century to higher-cost and lower-quality coal."



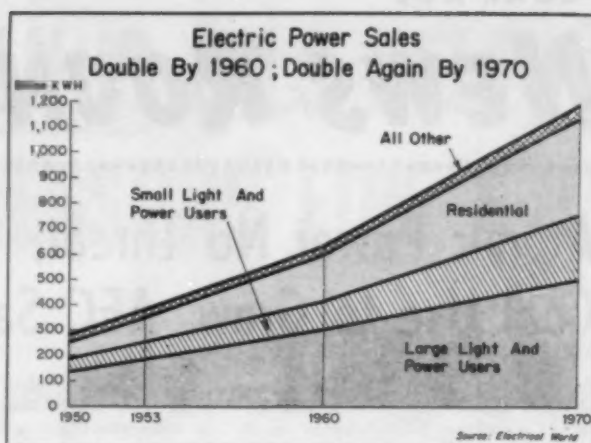
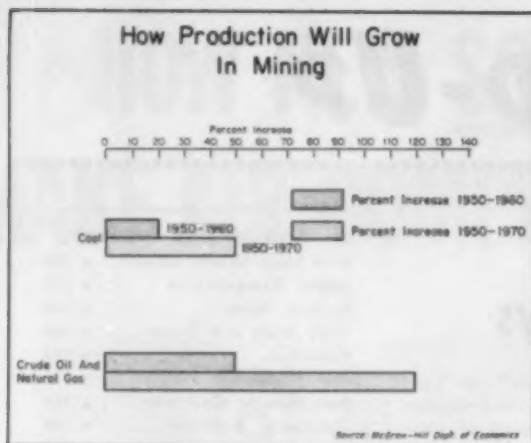
### 3,720-Hp Hoist Installed at British Coal Mine

THIS 3,720-HP UNIT, the first of a number of large Koepe hoists ordered by the National Coal Board in Britain's coal-mine electrification program, is being

installed at No. 2 shaft, Bradford Colliery, Manchester, to hoist coal from an ultimate depth of 3,822 ft. Coal will be extracted from three successive levels, at

2,802 ft, 3,312 ft and 3,822 ft, each having a life of about 30 yr. The unit is equipped with two 12-ton skips for a rated production of 400 tph from any of the three levels. The Koepe wheel is 24 ft in diameter, and will be operated at 30 rpm for a rope speed of 37.8 fps while hoisting from the uppermost level initially.

The new unit, biggest so far for a British coal mine and the first Koepe hoist to be installed in Britain since 1927, is reeved with a 24-in main rope with a guaranteed breaking load of 278 tons and a balance rope with an estimated breaking load of 180 tons. The m-g set for the two hoist motors is a 3,070-hp, 750-rpm, 6.6-kv synchronous motor, directly coupled to two generators to produce 660 v, DC, for the hoist motors on rms loading. Excitation for the m-g set motor is provided by a 26.4-kw, 43.5-v generator, and the Ward Leonard excitation is provided by a 23.3-kw, 220-v machine. Hoist-motor ratings are 3,720 hp continuous (rms); 6,000 hp, normal working peak; and 8,600 hp, peak torque for rope-stalled in the headframe for assisting rope changing duty. A 300-hp winch is in-changes.



## How Much Growth Ahead?

HOW BIG will the American economy grow by 1960? By 1970?

What role will coal play in the nation's growth?

The potential for industrial and economic growth in the years ahead is the subject of a recent report prepared by the Department of Economics, McGraw-Hill Publishing Co. This report revises and up-dates similar reports made in 1950 and 1952.

Authors of the 1954 study warn that it is not intended as a forecast of where the economy or any part of it will stand at any given time, because there are bound to be ups and downs along the basic trend lines. Nor is the report a forecast of how big the economy would be if all human and material resources were fully exploited. It is, rather, a forecast of probable growth, not maximum possible growth.

For coal men who plan ahead, some parts of the report hold special meaning. Those parts are excerpted and briefed below.

### People, Products and Services

Population is growing at the rate of over 2 million per year. By 1970, it will grow to over 200 million; the labor force, to 82 million. Gross national product—that is, total output of goods and services—has been growing at the rate of 3% every year since 1930, and will continue.

### Productivity

From 1930 to 1950, output per man-hour increased about 2% per year, with gains as high as 3% in some years. Since 1950, the gains have been greater. In the years ahead, we may reasonably hope for productivity increases averaging 2½% per year.

Gross national product will grow from \$367 billion in 1953 to \$415 billion in 1960 and to \$560 billion in 1970—all measured in 1953 dollars. These estimates allow for a drop in the average work week from 41 hr in 1953 to 38 hr in 1960 and to 35 hr by 1970. More power and fuel and less muscle will play a leading role in these changes.

### Research and New Industries

Total spent by industry for research in the last 10 yr has grown from about \$1 billion to over \$3 billion. The result: New products and even new industries. For example, in the past 5 yr electronics output has increased 145%; plastics, 85%; aluminum, 100%.

Nobody knows what surprises the technology of 1970 may hold. But there are industrial revolutions already in the making—in chemistry, especially in the development of chemical products from petroleum and natural gas and possibly from coal as well; in metalworking; in electronics and other automatic control devices; and in electrometallurgy.

### More Capital Goods

Higher capital expenditures will be needed to increase productive capacity and keep pace with advancing technology. Keeping up with the probable growth in population and gross national product will require a 65% increase in manufacturing capacity by 1970 and three times as much electric generating capacity. Railroads and truck operators will need equipment to handle 80% more freight. By 1970, makers of electric generating equipment may be selling twice their 1953 volume.

Compared with \$28 billion capital expenditures for new capacity and modernization in 1953, industry may spend \$32 billion in 1960 and over \$40 billion in 1970.

### More Community Services

The growing population will require a doubling of elementary-school capacity by 1970, plus twice as much hospital capacity and replacement of another one-third that is unsuitable. To take care of the steady increase in traffic, expenditures on streets and highways must double long before 1970.

### Better Mining Machines

The high cost of labor in the mining industries will add to the demand for highly automatic machinery. For example, there will be more of the

recently developed equipment for cutting and handling coal in a continuous flow from the seam to the surface, thus eliminating the unpleasant and dangerous tasks previously done by miners.

### Demand for Fuel and Power

By 1970, power per worker in industry will double. Use of electricity in the home will be five times as high. Total result: Three times as much electric power consumed in 1970.

Mostly from coal and oil. By 1970, coal requirements for power generation may go up as much as 150% (2½ times as much), even with improved burning techniques. Imported fuel oil still will be useful for power generation and home heating but most domestic petroleum probably will be converted to high-grade chemicals, gasoline and lubricants. Total demand for petroleum products will rise by over 100% by 1970, mainly for propulsion. If necessary, the petroleum industry can convert shale or coal into liquid fuels.

Natural gas will take over most of the home-heating market, leaving the cheaper chemical and power-generation uses to coal.

By 1970, coal may be gasified underground and piped directly to plants for use in steam boilers or for breaking down into chemicals.

### Industrial Chemicals

Most industrial chemicals will grow along with the Nation's economy. Sharpest growth will be in synthetic organic chemicals, especially petrochemicals. By 1970, about three-quarters of all synthetic organics will be made from petroleum or natural gas, compared with one-quarter from petroleum sources and three-quarters from coke ovens in recent years.

### Atomic Power

By 1970, as much as 20% of new power installations may be using atomic fuel. This would be equal to 3% of total capacity in place in 1970.





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## Bureau Survey Team Suggests Switch Of Coal Mine Inspection to States

An accelerated educational program to boost the level of state inspection services so that the need for federal coal mine inspection eventually would be eliminated was one of the recommendations for overhauling the U. S. Bureau of Mines made by a 5-man survey team after 6-mo study of the Bureau's organization and operation.

The proposal was among the many recommendations for reorganization of the Bureau approved by Secretary of the Interior Douglas McKay and passed along late in July to the director of the bureau for appropriate action. In transmitting the survey team's report, Mr. McKay indicated that the director may make minor modifications where he believes such changes are not a significant departure from the team's recommendations.

In the survey report there were four basic recommendations for reorganization underlying the 39 detailed proposals, as follows: (1) reduction of the bureau's regions from nine to four; (2) full separation of the administration of health, safety and coal-mine inspection activities from scientific and technical research activities; (3) coordinated strengthening of all statistical and commodity analysis work; and (4) adoption of an organization plan under which the Washington office retains responsibility for policy and program determination, while conduct and management of research are decentralized.

The survey group recommended the appointment of an assistant director of the Bureau for health, safety and coal mine inspection and an assistant director

for program. In transmitting the report, Mr. McKay directed that provision also be made for a new position of deputy director.

In discussing health, safety and inspection work, the survey recommended that the staff of the Washington headquarters be kept quite small, with operating personnel and direct supervisors located as close to the mining areas as possible. A major effort should be directed toward educational work in safety and inspection, it emphasized, with teaching ability sought among present personnel and made one of the requirements for future appointees. The bureau should increase its co-operation with state departments, miners and operators to bring all state inspection services up to the general standard of the bureau's coal mine inspections so that "the need for federal coal mine inspection will decrease and eventually cease to exist." Any part of appropriations not needed for inspection should be used for this educational work and it should be possible to accelerate the program, already started to a small degree, since there are today more inspectors but fewer mines to be inspected than at any time since federal inspection was first required, it said.

Other recommendations regarding safety included: making available to miners and management changes in the interpretation of the Safety Code before they are put into effect; determination of the reasons and need for increasing the minimum yearly inspections to three for all Title III mines; use of written examination on mining and safety practices

### MEETINGS

ASME: Fall Meeting, Sept. 8-10, Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, Wis.

Pennsylvania State Bituminous Safety Association: State-Wide First Aid Meet, Sept. 11, Ebensburg, Pa.

Mineral Producers' Association: Annual Meeting, Oct. 7, Hotel William Penn, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Kentucky State-Wide First Aid Meet, Oct. 9, Lexington, Ky.

National Safety Council: 42nd National Safety Congress and Exposition, Oct. 18-22, Conrad Hilton, Congress, Morrison and La Salle hotels, Chicago.

Kanawha Coal Operators' Association: Annual Meeting, Oct. 21, Charleston, W. Va.

Northern West Virginia Coal Association: Annual Meeting, Oct. 26, Fairmont, W. Va.

West Virginia Coal Mining Institute and Central Appalachian Section, AIME: Joint Meeting, Nov. 5-6, Homestead Hotel, Hot Springs, Va.

Kentucky Mining Institute: Annual Meeting, Nov. 11-12, Phoenix Hotel, Lexington, Ky.

Illinois Mining Institute: Annual Meeting, Nov. 12, Hotel Abraham Lincoln, Springfield, Ill.

National Coal Association: Annual Meeting, Nov. 17-18, Hotel William Penn, Pittsburgh, Pa.



### Traveling Exhibit Promotes Anthracite to Consumers

EMPHASIZING ANTHRACITE as the "Fuel of the Future," this "Coalmobile" display has been touring anthracite market areas on a regular schedule as a part of the Anthracite Industry Council's program to put across to the public the benefits of anthracite coal and the modern automatic heating equipment now available. In addition to displays, advertising and literature, the unit has a motion picture screen for showings of the industry's new color film, "Black Diamonds." Here, Norman Curtin, Anthracite Information Bureau engineer, discusses a question with a housewife as a part of the Coalmobile's service.

and methods in qualifying inspectors; and a revision and simplification of the present inspector's report. Another recommendation that inspectors notify operators and the mine safety committee the day before an inspection so that arrangement can be made to facilitate it was reserved by Mr. McKay for further consideration.

The team also maintained "that the research work on synthetic gaseous and liquid fuels from coal and lignite be confined to small scale activity and not expanded or developed into large and pilot demonstration plants." Experimental work on production of oil from oil shale at Rifle, Colo., done solely by the bureau, should cease and no further work should be done with the new retort unless industry cooperates with a substantial contribution, it said. In addition, it recommended that the bureau do everything possible to terminate its activities in the production of helium, zirconium and titanium.

Members of the survey team were: Dr. Curtis L. Wilson, dean of the Missouri School of Mines; John C. Kinnear Jr., former vice president, Kennecott Copper Corp.; Dennis L. McElroy, vice president, Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co.; J. R. Butler, president, Butler Johnson Corp., and president of the Independent Petroleum Association of America; and Spencer S. Shannon, former director, materials office of the National Security Resources Board.



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# Personal Notes

**C. M. Hoard**, formerly superintendent of the Barrackville mine, Bethlehem Mines Corp., has been named superintendent of the company's Marion Div., succeeding the late **W. E. Hall**. A graduate of the West Virginia University School of Mines, Mr. Hoard has been with Bethlehem since 1927. **Charles K. Dunlap** has succeeded Mr. Hoard as superintendent. Mr. Dunlap has worked at the Barrackville property since his graduation from the University of Illinois in 1942.

**Morris Creditor**, a director of the West Virginia Coal & Coke Corp., was elected executive vice president of the company at a meeting of the board of directors held Aug. 18. Mr. Creditor also is president of The Ohio River Co., a wholly owned subsidiary of West Virginia Coal & Coke. **A. H. Crane**, vice president and secretary-treasurer of the company, was elected a director at the meeting.

At a stockholders meeting held Aug. 13, **T. C. Mullins Jr.** was elected president of the Midland Electric Coal Corp. to succeed his father, the late **T. C. Mullins**. Mr. Mullins Jr. has been with Midland Electric since coming out of the army in 1945 and formerly was a vice president of the company. **W. E. Mullins**, with the company for many years and previously a vice president, was elected to the newly created position of chairman of the board of directors. **Harry M. Ziv**, vice president of Walter Bledsoe & Co., was named to the board of directors. Midland Electric has its main office in Indianapolis and operates one mine at Atkinson, Ill., and two mines at Middle Grove, Ill. The company's 1953 output was over 2 million tons.

**Frank Earnest Jr.**, president of the Anthracite Institute, has been named a consultant to Harold Stassen, head of the Foreign Operations Administration. Mr. Earnest will advise the FOA in connection with its recently announced plan to purchase some 10 million tons of coal, both anthracite and bituminous, for aid to countries abroad.

**Mike Zakotnik Jr.** has been named general superintendent of the Kemmerer Coal Co., Kemmerer, Wyo., and the Gunn-Quealy Co., Rock Springs, Wyo. Mr. Zakotnik, who has been with the Kemmerer company since 1931 and formerly was mine superintendent, succeeds **Glen E. Sorensen**, recently named president of the two companies.

**David J. Jones**, who retired July 1 as chief chemist of The Hudson Coal Co., Scranton, Pa., after 37½ yr of service with the company, was honored Aug. 12 with a dinner attended by some 40 associates and friends.

**William D. Hughes**, vice president in charge of real estate, and **Mrs. Martha Custer Curry**, assistant treasurer, Johns-

town Coal & Coke Co., Johnstown, Pa., recently retired. The two officials, who served the company for a total of 85 yr, were originally employed by the late **Andrew B. Crichton** and later became affiliated with Johnstown Coal & Coke which was organized by Mr. Crichton.

**Elmer R. Kaiser** has been appointed director of research, American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers, with headquarters at the research laboratory in Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Kaiser, for the past 20 yr, has been actively engaged in research work in the field of fuels, serving on the staff of Battelle Memorial Institute and Bituminous Coal Research, Inc.

## News Briefs and Trends

### W. Va. Operators to Survey Markets, Coal Use by State

Plans for a state-wide survey of coal markets and use were announced Aug. 10 by a committee of 10 West Virginia coal operators headed by **Laurence E. Tierney Jr.**, president of the West Virginia Coal Association, following a conference with Gov. Marland. In suggesting the meeting of industry representatives, Gov. Marland proposed that "we first put our own house in order" by using coal instead of oil or gas in state-owned buildings. In his invitation, the governor also suggested that the coal business might be aided by "a more vigorous offensive for domestic markets." Development of domestic markets in the state and action on other industry problems were among the major objectives of the newly formed committee, it was understood.

In reporting that he had asked all state departments to lend every assistance in the survey of coal use, Gov. Marland said that he hoped effects of the survey would extend also to county and city governments. Other members of the committee beside Mr. Tierney include: **J. A. Dillon**, McAlpin Coal Co.; **Herbert Jones**, Amherst Fuel Co.; **C. A. Hamill**, Sycamore Coal Co.; **George Higinbotham**, Consolidation Coal Co. (W. Va.); **Harry Kennedy**, Kanawha Coal Operators' Association; **Roland Luther**, Peerless Coal Co.; **John J. Foster**, Island Creek Coal Co.; **Carl Andrews** and **Robert Lecross**, West Virginia Coal Association.

### Armco Steel Buys W. Va. Mine

Armco Steel Corp. has acquired the stock of the Princess Dorothy Coal Co., which operates the Robin Hood mine in Boone County, W. Va., **W. W. Sebald**, Armco president, announced Aug. 4. The Robin Hood mine, which has a capacity of 50,000 tons monthly and employs about 300 men, will be operated by a separate company for the time being, it was reported. **L. F. Reinartz**, Armco vice president, will be the new president of the Princess Dorothy Coal Co., and **Andrew O'B. Hogue**, president of the company for

**Russell W. Beamer**, former employee training director, Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Co., Indiana, Pa., has been appointed chief tax assessor for Indiana County, Pennsylvania.

**James R. Garvey** has been named assistant director of research, Bituminous Coal Research, Inc., succeeding **Elmer R. Kaiser**, resigned. Mr. Garvey will also serve as general manager of B. C. R. Products, Inc. Joining BCR in 1946, Mr. Garvey helped establish a BCR Columbus branch in 1948, and has been responsible for building operation, maintenance and supervision of laboratory research projects. Prior to joining BCR, Mr. Garvey was employed by Hanna Coal Co. and Pittsburgh Coal Co., working in their underground mining, preparation and research operations.

many years, will be vice president in charge of operations.

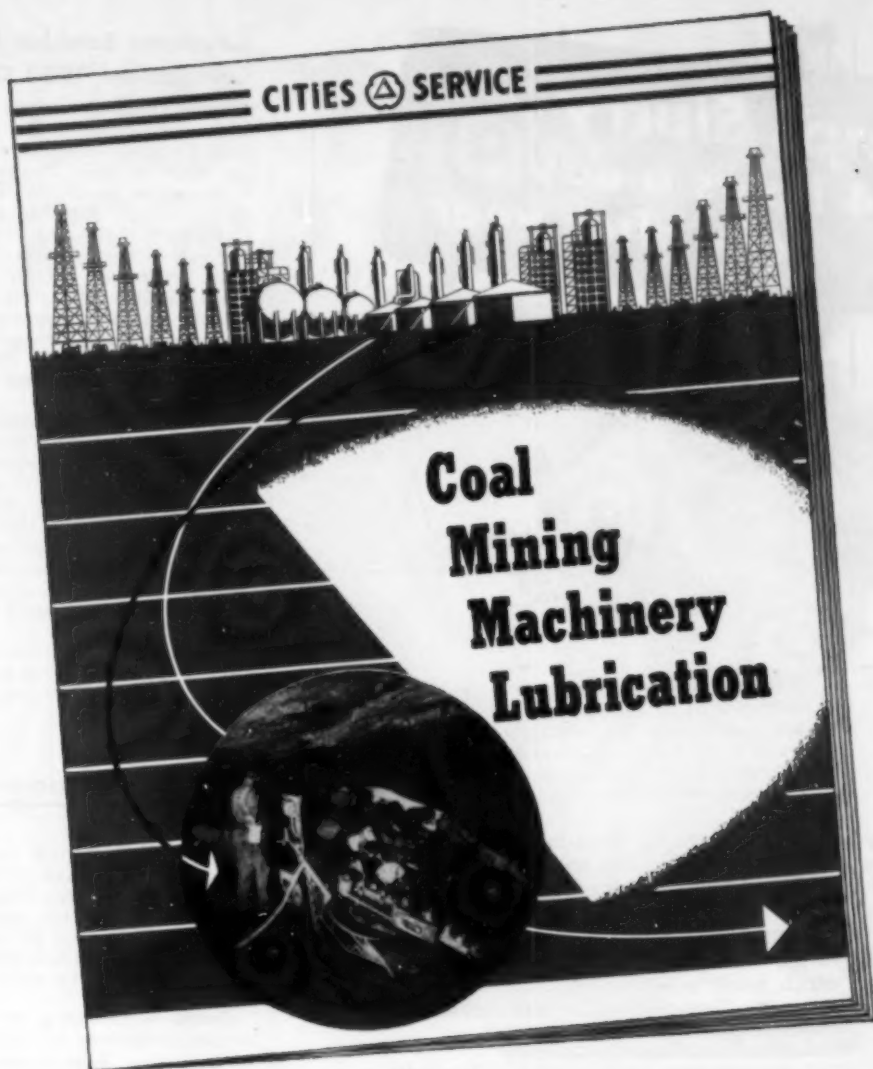
### Government to Ship 10 Million Tons of Coal to Other Nations

Plans to ship 10 million tons of American gift coal to friendly countries during this fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, were announced Aug. 5 by **Harold Stassen**, director of the FOA. The tonnage, which will be in addition to the coal now being purchased abroad with free dollars, would not only ease unemployment in American coal mines but step up industrial activity overseas and create new markets for coal, Mr. Stassen pointed out. The tonnage is estimated at about four times that sent abroad under the FOA program during the 1954 fiscal year ending last June and exceeds the agency's previous record of 8,600,000 tons in 1949. According to Mr. Stassen, dockside prices will range from \$16 to \$17 for anthracite and average around \$10 a ton for bituminous coal.

### U. S. Steel Starts Work on 12,500-TPD Coal Washer

State, county and local civic leaders joined with U. S. Steel officials Aug. 3 in ground-breaking ceremonies starting construction of a new coal-washing plant at Corbin, Ky. **Karl L. Konnerth**, vice president of U. S. Steel's coal operations, formally started construction when he cut a bulldozer blade into the ground on the plant site. Other company officials participating in the ceremony included: **W. L. McMorris Jr.**, general manager, coal preparation and distribution; **R. H. Knapp**, chief engineer-coal; and **W. G. Talman**, general superintendent, Gary and Lynch districts. To be known as the Corbin washer, the 14-story-high structure will be equipped to wash coal mined at Lynch, Ky., for U. S. Steel's lake shore steel plants at the rate of 12,500 tons a day and is expected to be completed early in 1956. After washing and drying, coal will be mixed to uniform consistency and

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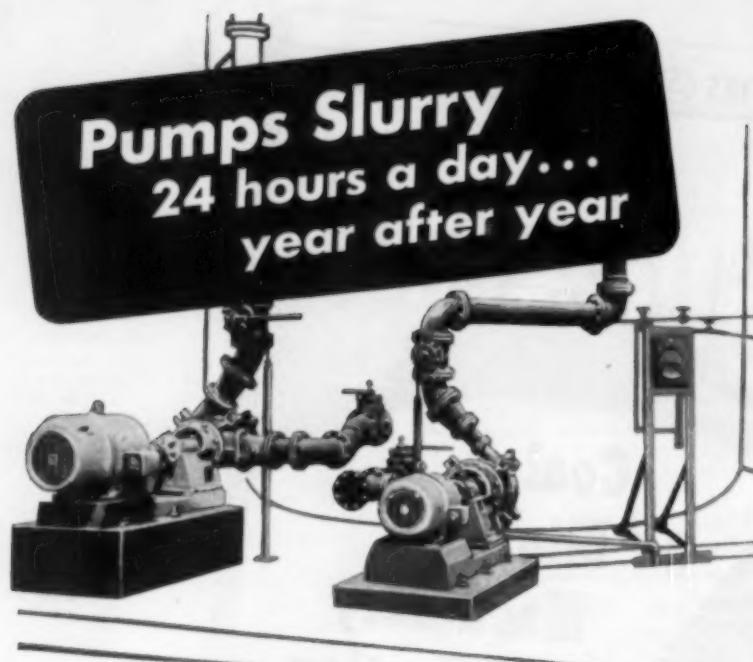
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## Keystone Booklet Lists Companies' 1953 Output

Actual 1953 production figures for every coal company in the country producing 100,000 tons or more in that year are listed in "Coal Production in the U. S. A., by Companies, for the Year 1953," recently published by *Keystone Coal Buyers' Manual*, a *Coal Age* affiliate. The only such compilation of production figures for the coal industry available on a national basis, the booklet is published annually and shows company affiliations, the states in which they operate, captive and strip tonnages, with the companies listed in order by the total tonnages of the affiliated groups.

In announcing the current edition, *Keystone* points out that the 442 bituminous companies listed produced 390,920,603 tons in 1953, or 86.3% of the year's total. The 39 anthracite companies mined 28,122,398 tons, or 88.4% of the total. Comparison of 1953 output with previous years for various tonnage classifications, strip and auger mining and captive operations are among the statistics included in the study.

The 1953 "Coal Production" booklet is available at \$5 a copy from *Keystone Coal Buyers' Manual*, 330 W. 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y.

## Obituaries

**W. E. Hall**, 70, for the last 9 yr division superintendent of the Marion Div., Bethlehem Mines Corp., died July 28 at Fairmont, W. Va., after a long illness. Mr. Hall spent his entire life in coal mining and had been with the Bethlehem organization for more than 30 yr.

**Joseph W. Terteling**, 59, a member of the construction firm of J. A. Terteling & Sons, Boise, Idaho, and active in coal stripping in Western Kentucky, died Aug. 8 in Honolulu following a heart attack while vacationing in Hawaii with his family. With N. L. Terteling, Mr. Terteling owned Terteling Bros., Inc., and served as president of the firm, which operates the Vogue and Pond River mines at Madisonville, Ky. One of the four sons who joined with their father to form J. A. Terteling & Sons in 1923, Mr. Terteling also was widely known in the heavy construction industry.

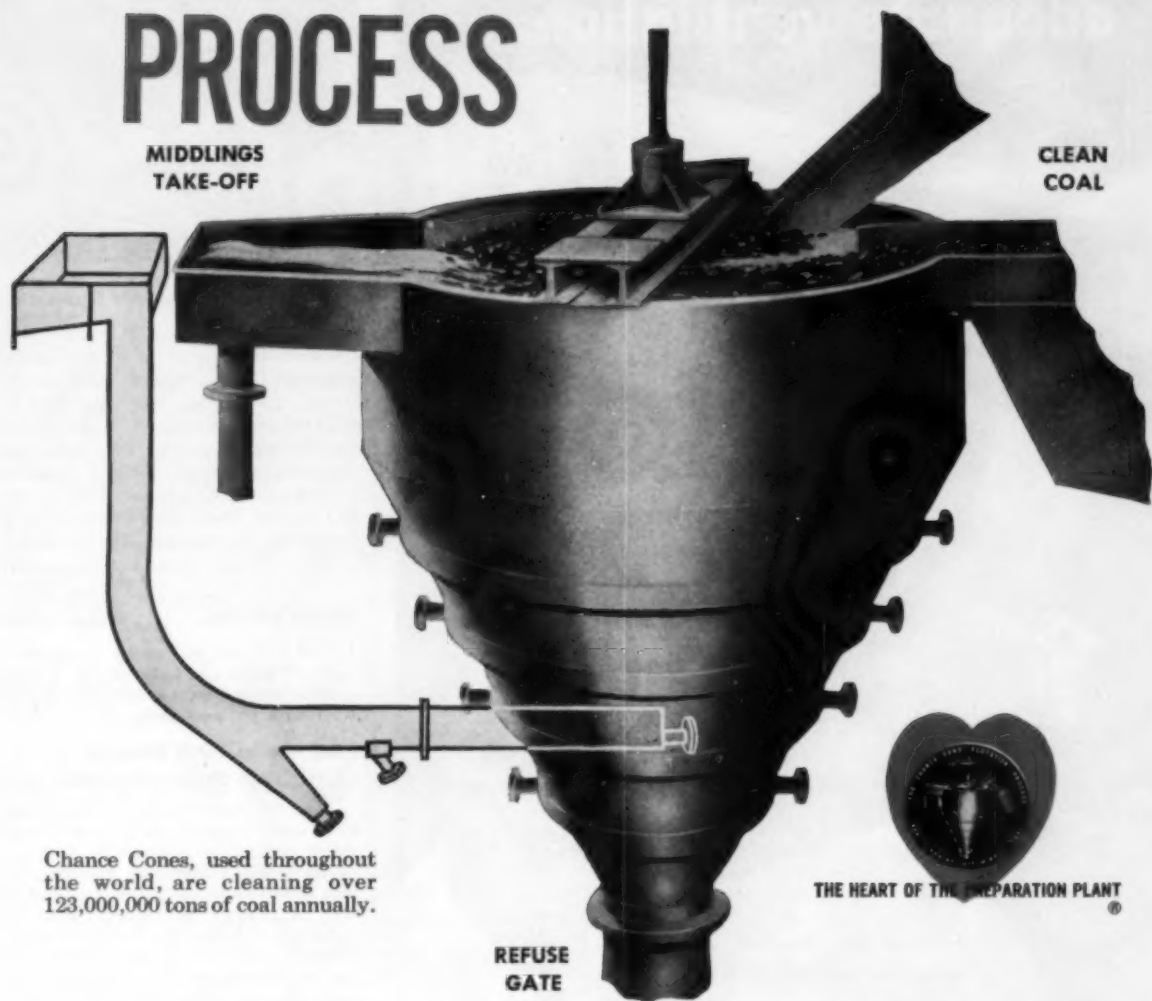
**Edgar M. Cortright**, 69, died Aug. 23 at his home in Jenkintown, Pa. A 1906 graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, Mr. Cortright had been vice president of the Cortright Coal Co., Philadelphia, and president of the Hastings Fuel Co., Hastings, Pa., until his retirement last spring.

**Jack E. Taylor**, 65, general manager of the High Splint Coal Co., High Splint, Ky., and president of the Harlan County Coal Operators' Association, died July 20 following a heart attack at Williamsburg, Ky. Mr. Taylor had been with High Splint for 20 yr.



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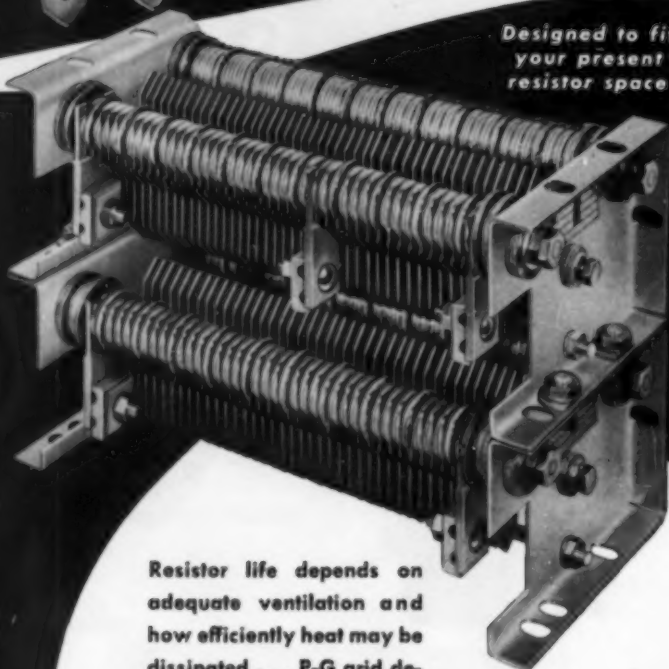
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**OLD TIMERS' AWARD** to the outstanding senior student in mining engineering at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Va., is received by Ellis Paxton Bucklen (right) from M. D. Cooper, director of mining engineering education for the National Coal Association and secretary of the Old Timers' Club. Dean Emeritus E. B. Norris (center) assists in the ceremony.

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loaded into hopper cars for transport to Lake Michigan and Lake Erie U. S. Steel mills. Allen & Garcia is the general contractor for the new plant.

## P&R Marks 50th Year of Continuous Safety Program

The 50th anniversary of the founding of its safety program, believed to be the oldest continuous program in American industry, was observed by the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co. Aug. 14 with an intra-company contest of its first aid teams at Lakewood Park, near Pottsville, Pa. More than 1,000 people, including employees, their families, company officials and guests, saw the teams representing various operating units compete for the title of Golden Anniversary First Aid Champions. J. J. Forbes, USBM director, presented Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association Certificates of Honor to three P&R operations for outstanding safety achievements. Gordon E. Smith, Deputy Secretary of Mines, represented the Pennsylvania Department of Mines, and Edward G. Fox, P&R president, made the prize awards. Placing first among the six teams participating was that of the Locust Summit central breaker, with a score of 99.833.

## Utility Coal Continues Growth

Record-breaking electric-power generation in the United States is resulting in greater coal consumption by the electric utilities, according to the monthly statistics of the Federal Power Commission. Coal consumption for the first 6 mo of 1954 was estimated at 56,511,841 tons, almost a million tons more than in the



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initial half of 1953. In the same period, however, imports of foreign residual oil have boomed to around 400,000 bbl a day, on top of 1953 imports of 134,000,000 bbl, equivalent to 34,000,000 tons of coal, the National Coal Association pointed out in analyzing the FPC statistics. Without the influx of foreign oil, the utilities' coal would have been larger, the NCA emphasized. Coal consumption by the electric utilities for all of 1953 totaled 115,893,000 tons, an all-time high.

## Unions Okay Opening LNC Mines by New Firm

Plans of new organization to re-open three mines and a breaker among those closed down permanently by the Lehigh Navigation Coal Co. last June got a go-head Aug. 11 with approval of the proposal by the seven local unions in the area and the Panther Valley general mine committee of the UMWA. Heading the new syndicate is W. Julian Parton, president of the disbanded Lehigh Navigation Coal Co., and associated with him is Joseph J. Crane, former manager of the LNC Lansford colliery. Also reported as members of the group are James and Frank Fauzio, stripping contractors of Nesquehoning.

The decision to close LNC Panther Valley mines and liquidate the company was made June 24 at an emergency meeting of the board of managers of the Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co., the parent organization, after miners had refused to go along with the company's five-point plan for lowering production costs even though it had been approved by John L. Lewis and other UMWA officials (*Coal Age*, August, p 116). The company originally closed down May 3 because of poor markets and continuing heavy operating losses and offered its program as a means of re-opening the properties early in June. According to reports, the new syndicate, which is not connected with LC&N, would employ about 1,300 of the 5,000 men thrown out of work when the properties were closed.

## Surface and Stripping Deaths Boost 6-Mo Fatality Rates

The 203 deaths in U. S. anthracite and bituminous coal mines during the first 6 mo of 1954, although 27 fewer than in the same period of 1953, resulted in a rate of 1.03 fatalities per million tons, as compared with 0.96 in the 1953 period, the USBM reports.

Increased fatalities at strip mines and in surface operations were responsible for the higher industry-wide fatality rate. At strip mines, 14 men were killed from January to June, 1954, against eight in the 1953 period, for rates of 0.07 and 0.03, respectively. Surface fatalities increased from 17 to 20, with the rate per million tons moving from 0.07 to 0.10.

In underground mining, the fatality rate in both years was 0.86, with 169 men killed in the 1954 period, against 205 in 1953. In underground bituminous mining, the 167 fatalities in the 6 mo of 1953 declined to 138 in 1954, with a rate of

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#### COAL MEN ON THE JOB . . .

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**LORADO COAL MINING CO.,** Lorado, W. Va. (right photo): Lowell Leach (left) rodman; Marcus Milam, chief engineer and industrial engineer; John Rush, mining engineer; Frank Hobach and Doran Nester, rodmen. Messrs. Leach and Nester are students who have been granted engineering scholarships by the company.



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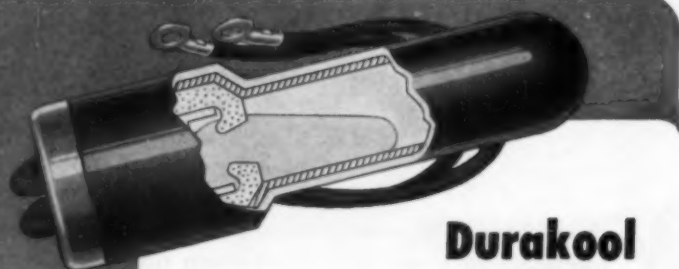
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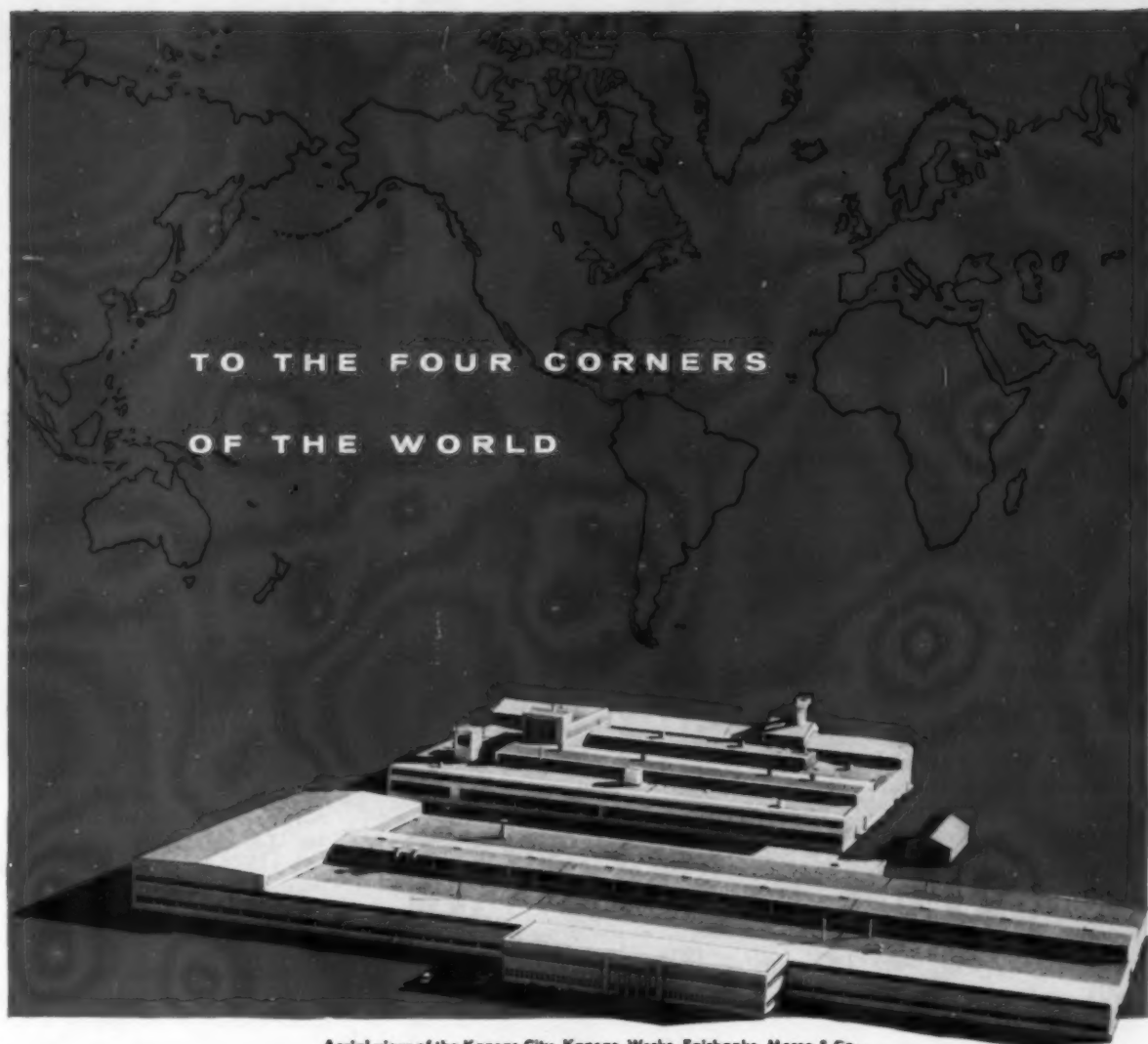
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0.75 for both years. For anthracite mining underground, a decrease in fatalities from 38 to 31 in the first 6 mo of 1954 resulted in a drop in the rate from 2.55 to 2.33.

As in the past, falls of roof and face continued to be the largest single cause of mine fatalities, killing 113 men in the 1954 period, compared to 137 in 1953, for rates of 0.58 and 0.57, respectively. Haulage, the second largest cause, while cut from 37 to 36 fatalities in 1954, also showed an increase in the fatality rate, from 0.16 in 1953 to 0.18 in 1954.

### Retailers Back Anthracite Program

Decision to adopt a second-year anthracite industry program was unanimously voted Aug. 4 by the Eastern States Retail Solid Fuel Conference at its quarterly meeting in New York. The vote was taken following a review of the united industry service program which Aug. 1 ended its first year of co-operative effort to broaden the distribution of automatic anthracite equipment and improve service to con-



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Goodman Mfg. Co.—Type 870-10 cable-reel shuttle car; three 10-hp motors, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1005; July 2.

Goodman Mfg. Co.—Type 870-11 cable-reel shuttle car; three 10-hp motors, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1006; July 2.

Joy Mfg. Co.—Type ICM-2E continuous miner; two 65-, one 15- and four 7½-hp motors, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1007; July 2.

Joy Mfg. Co.—Type 148U-7CT loading machine; four 7½- and one 4-hp motors, 440 v, AC; Approval 2-1008; July 8.

Joy Mfg. Co.—AC magnetically locked splice box; Approval 2-1009; July 19.

The Long Co.—Type Joy modified 8-BU loader with detachable Type PT Piggyback conveyor; one 15- and one 4-hp motors, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1010; July 20.

Jeffrey Mfg. Co.—Type CLS-84-A loading station; 5-hp motor, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1011; July 22.

Ensign Electric & Mfg. Co.—Type LJ distribution box; 220 and 440 v, AC; Approvals 2-1012 and 2-1012A; July 27.

The Long Co.—Type Model 88 loader with detachable Type PT Piggyback conveyor; one 25- and one 4-hp motors, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1013; July 28.

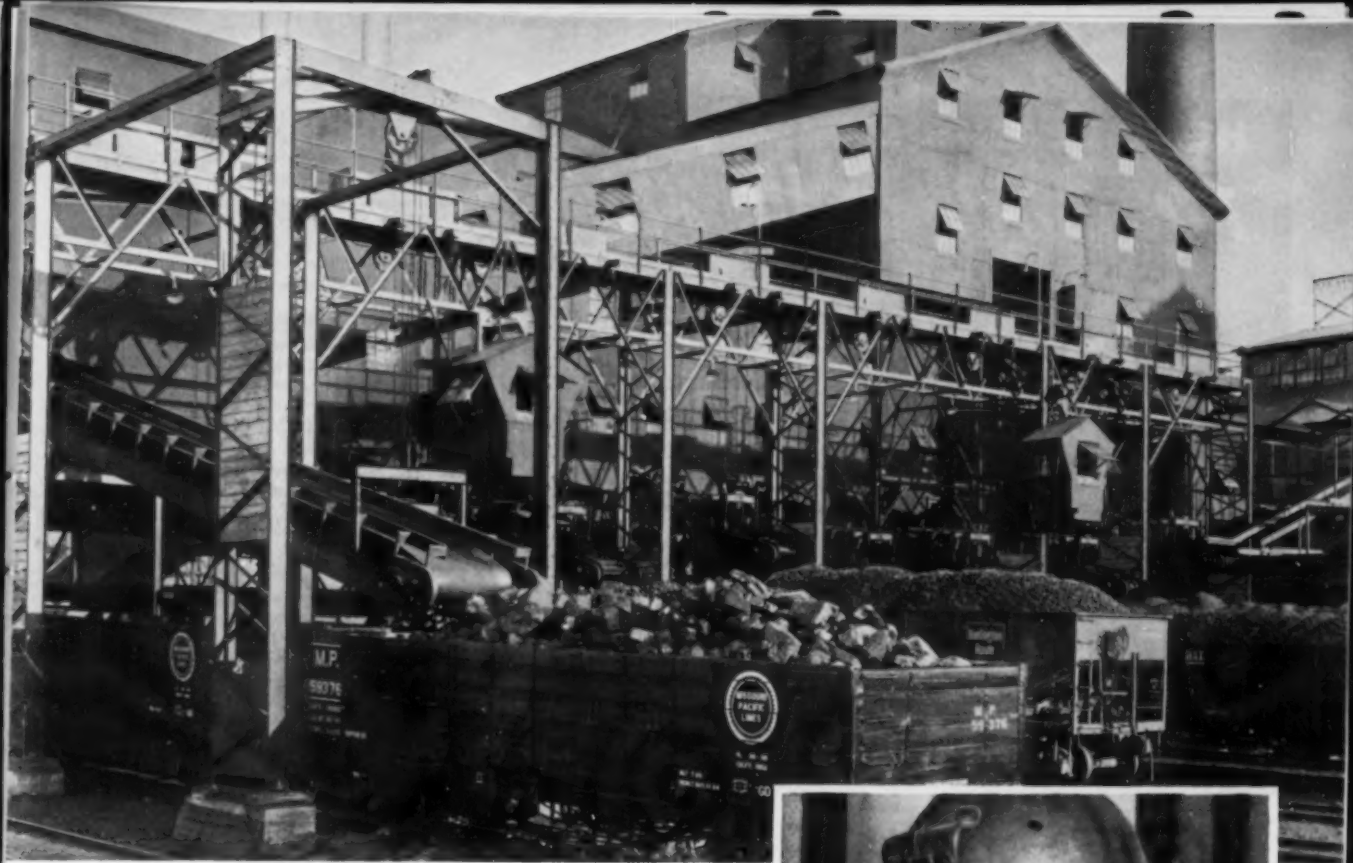
Barber-Greene Co.—No. 366 portable mine conveyor; 3-hp motor, 250 v, DC; Approval 2-1014; July 28.

Transocean Commerce, Inc.—Type 18 Riken gas indicator; Approval 812; July 23.

sumers. The program is administered by the Anthracite Industry Council, composed of all segments of the industry. "More has been accomplished this past year in these directions through this vigorous industry-wide effort than was achieved in the anthracite industry during the past 10 yr," Everett Decker, chairman of the conference and president of Peterson & Packer Coal Co., Troy, N. Y., said in announcing the approval of the retailer group.

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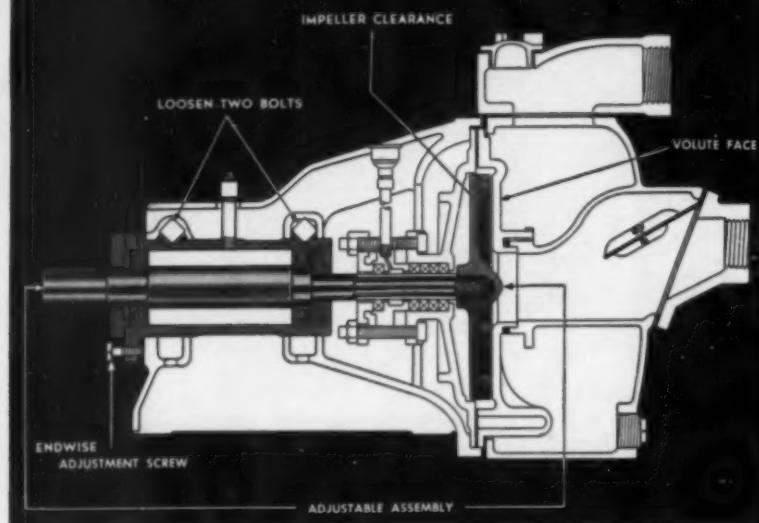
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Earnings reported below are for the first six months of 1954 ending June 30, compared with the same period of 1953, unless otherwise noted.

**Glen Alden Coal Co.**—1954 net loss of \$169,000, compared to net loss of \$1,451,666 for 1953 period.

**Hudson Coal Co.**—1954 net loss of \$2,055,158, compared to net loss of \$1,372,370 for 1953 period.

**Independent Coal & Coke Co.**—1954 profit before charges for depreciation and depletion, \$89,076, compared to loss of \$162,336 on a similar basis for 1953 period.

**Island Creek Coal Co.**—1954 net income of \$524,855, or 38c a share, on net sales of \$15,720,862, compared to net income of \$644,210, or 48c a share, on net sales of \$19,236,748 for 1953 period.

**Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co.**—1954 net loss of \$1,358,740, compared to net income of \$132,612 after tax credit of \$324,896, or 6c a share, for 1953 period.

**Lehigh Valley Coal Corp.**—1953 net loss of \$1,095,266 on net sales of \$8,163,360, compared to net loss of \$1,146,019, including non-recurring profit of \$311,431, on net sales of \$9,586,936 for 1953 period.

**Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co.**—1954 net loss of \$1,936,987 on net sales of \$22,707,090, compared to net loss of \$546,351 on net sales of \$28,720,715 for 1953 period.

**Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co.**—1954 net income of \$4,587,278, or \$2.14 a share, compared to net income of \$5,990,612 or \$2.77 a share, for 1953 period.

**Pond Creek Pocahontas Co.**—1954 net income of \$326,518, or 96c a share, compared to net income of \$682,554, or \$2.01 a share, for 1953 period.

**West Kentucky Coal Co.**—1954 net income of \$332,691, or 39c a share compared to net income of \$821,288 or 96c a share, for 1953 period.

**W. Va. Coal & Coke Co.**—Net income for quarter ending June 30, 1954, of \$135,324, or 27c a share, compared to net income of \$255,924, or 51c a share, for 1953 period.

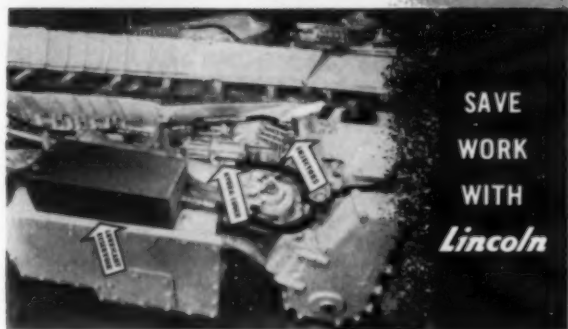
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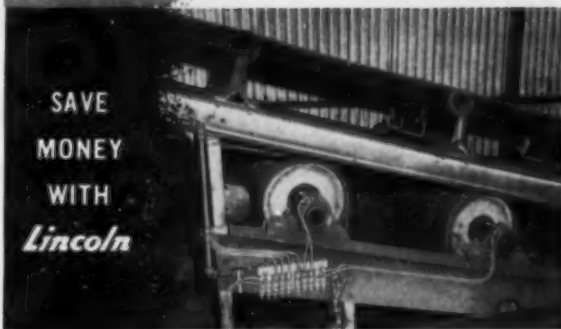


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MINE NO. 1-A, Amherstdale, W. Va. (right photo): Alex Gibson (left), section foreman; Sug Silas, section foreman; and Dewey Burgess, dispatcher, first shift.

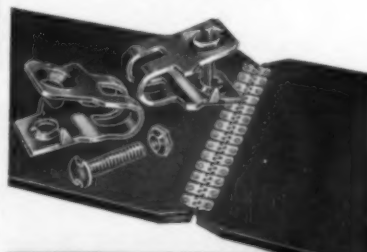
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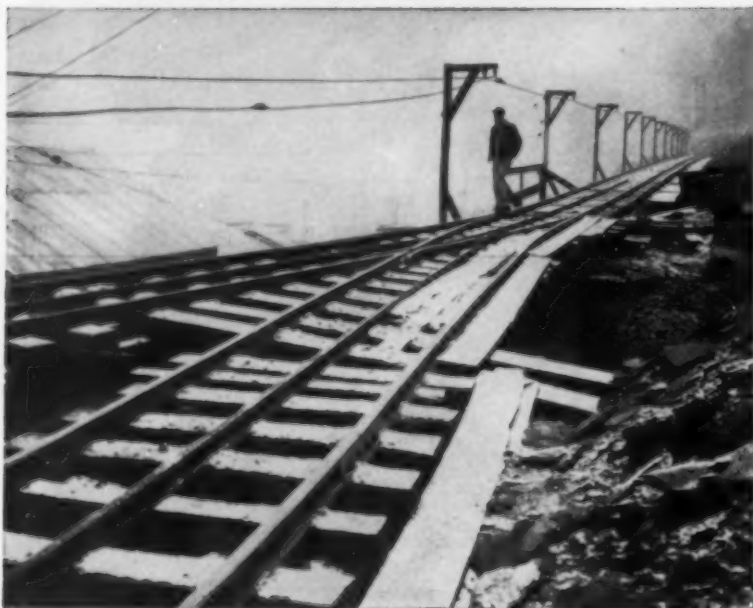
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## Glen Alden Opening Colliery Closed Down for 2 Yr

Plans for the resumption of operations at the Audenreid colliery, near Hazleton, Pa., with work for most of the 400 men affected by the shutdown several years ago, were announced late in July by William W. Everett, vice president of the Glen Alden Coal Co. Scheduled for immediate re-opening was the No. 1 slope at Treskow, down for about 4 mo. No. 15 slope, closed for 2 yr, was expected to be opened in about 3 wk when construction of a tippie was completed, and it was to be followed by opening of the No. 11 slope as soon as installation of an electric hoist could be completed. Coal from slopes is to be prepared at Juncedale, which is to be double-shifted, but construction of a new breaker is being considered, with final plans reportedly hinging on final mining results. Re-opening of the Packer No. 2 colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal Co., Ashland, Pa., also was recently announced by Jack Schrader, who has a sublease on the property. Some 150 men reportedly will be employed.

## Robena Tops 24 Aid Teams in Southwestern Pennsylvania

The Robena No. 2 team of the U. S. Steel Co., captained by John Chambers, placed first with a score of 99.933 among the 24 teams entered in the first-aid contest of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Safety Association held in Waynesburg, Pa., Aug. 21. Runners-up were: Mathies mine, Mathies Coal Co., 99.867, Joseph Hebda, captain; Ronco mine, U. S. Steel Co., 99.801, William J. Callaghan; and Montour No. 10 mine, Pittsburgh Coal Co., 99.800, Andrew Hostovich. In addition to a cash prize of \$210, the winning team received the MSA Plaque and the UMWA Trophy. The next nine ranking teams received cash prizes ranging from \$70 to \$175 and the privilege of participating in the statewide meet.

## Cabinet Committee Appointed To Study Nation's Power Needs

A Cabinet Committee on Energy Supplies and Resources Policy to study the requirements and supplies of the major sources of energy, including coal, petroleum and natural gas, was named by President Eisenhower July 30. It is composed of the heads of the State, Defense, Justice, Interior, Commerce and Labor Departments, and the chairman is Arthur S. Flemming, Director of Defense Mobilization. In setting up the group, President Eisenhower directed it to "undertake a study to evaluate all factors pertaining to the continued development of energy supplies and resources and fuels in the U. S., with the aim of strengthening the national defense, providing orderly industrial growth and assuring supplies for our expanding

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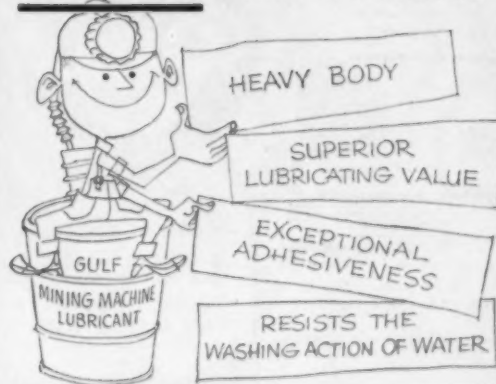
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Dr. Flemming also is chairman of an inter-departmental committee named earlier by the President to study the bituminous coal situation. Also in Washington late in July, Sen. Malone (R., Nev.), chairman of the Subcommittee on Minerals, Materials and Fuels Economics, said that "expeditious attention" would be given by the subcommittee to the resolution of the Governors' Fuel Conference recommending a study of the Nation's fuel resources and their importance to the national security. "It is long past time to do away with the ridiculous policies that are injuring the coal industry and other industries necessary to our economy and vital to our security," Sen. Malone remarked.

### Government Committee Meets With Industry Representatives

The inter-departmental committee named by President Eisenhower July 16 to study the bituminous industry's needs and recommend a policy in the interests of national security met with representatives of the industry in Washington Aug. 23. The government committee is headed by Arthur S. Flemming, Director of Defense Mobilization, and includes representatives of the Interior, State, Commerce, Labor and Defense Departments. Chairman of the coal group is Roger F. Cooper, Kentucky River Coal Corp., and other industry representatives scheduled to participate in the conference included: Harry LaViers, South-East Coal Co.; George H. Love, Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co.; Hooper Love, West Kentucky Coal Co.; C. J. Potter, Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Co.; Raymond E. Salvati, Island Creek Coal Co.; R. E. Snoberger, Truax-Traer Coal Co.; A. R. Mathews, Pocahontas Fuel Co., Inc.; John S. Routh, Routh Coal Corp.; and James W. Haley, Jewell Ridge Coal Corp.

### And For Your Information . . .

The first major West Virginia watershed to be cleared of coal-waste pollution under a state law enacted last year will be the Coal River. In announcing that all 14 coal-washing plants along the stream and its tributaries will have stopped discharging into the waters by next spring, Lyhle Gillenwater, State Water Commission engineer, pointed out that compliance with the law in this case was "voluntary" and cited it as a test of the effectiveness of co-operation between coal firms and commission.

Start of construction of a new \$1½ million cleaning plant has been announced by Stephen Canonico, president of the Compass Coal Co. The plant, expected to be in operation by April, 1955, will be located at the company's Chieftain No. 2 mine, Dola, W. Va.

An injunction prohibiting picketing by the UMWA of a 22 non-union mines in Somerset County, Pennsylvania, in effect since June 19, was dissolved Aug. 10 by Somerset County Judge Thomas F. Lansberry, who said that mine owners had failed to show that mass picketing was





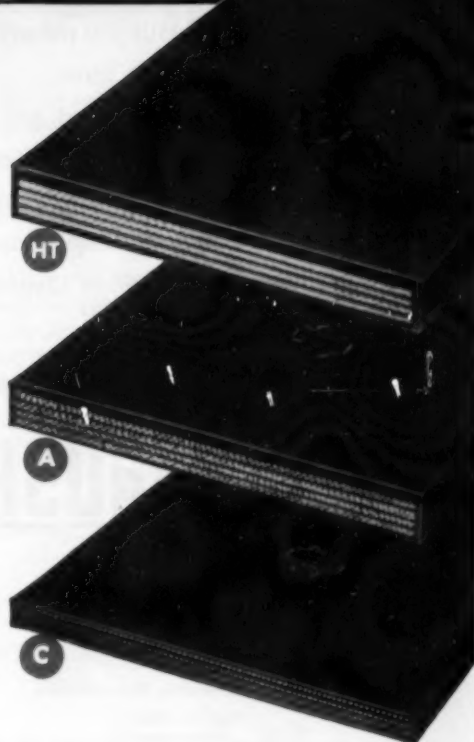
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**COAL MEN ON THE JOB . . .**

**CLEMENS COAL CO.,** Pittsburg, Kan.: C. W. Kincaid (left), tippie superintendent, and V. A. Zigmund, maintenance foreman.

involved and that there had been no reports of violence. UMW picketing started May 3 when the Cambria Fuel Co. sought to operate non-union after notifying the union that it was terminating its contract because of competitive conditions.

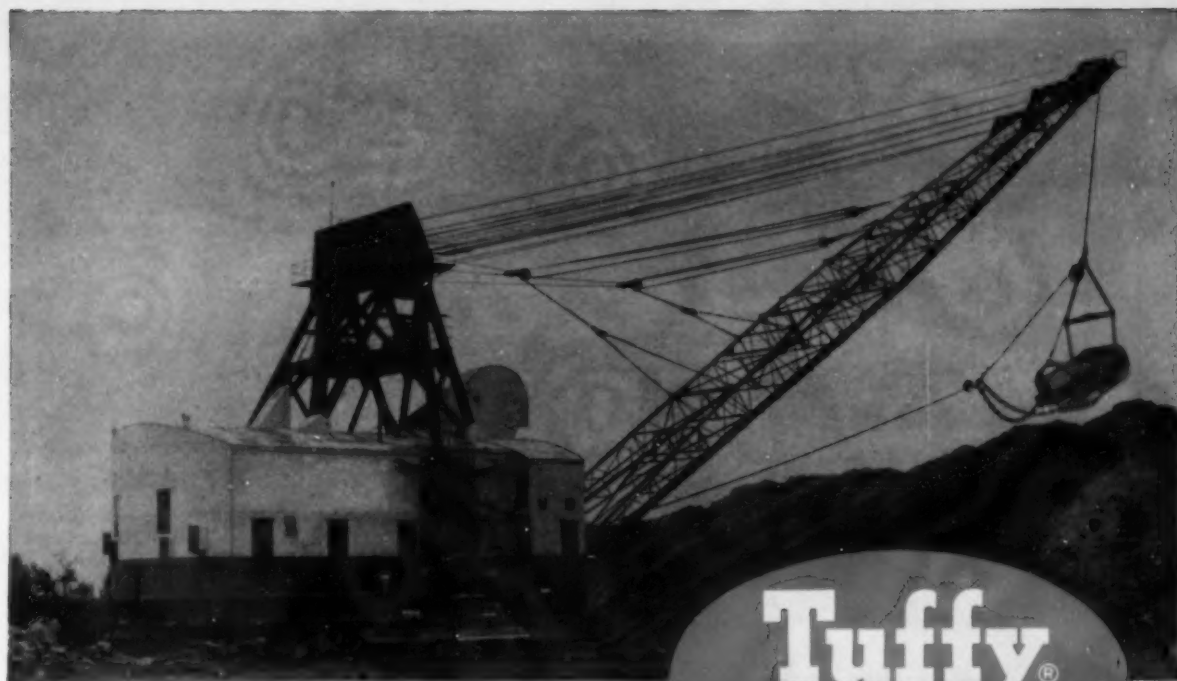
In Armstrong County, Pennsylvania, picketing and vandalism led several coal operators to seek an injunction against the UMW last month. Following the preliminary hearings, the court gave the UMW until Aug. 13 to file a written brief.

The Lorado Coal Mining Co. has awarded scholarships in coal mine engineering at West Virginia University to sons of two veteran employees, Stanley B. Johnson, president, announced Aug. 17. Doran Nester is the son of Roy L. Nester, unit foreman who has been with the company for 25 yr; and Lowell Leach is the son of Waldron D. Leach, shop electrician and with the company 16 yr. (See "Coal Men" photo on p 148.)

All five coal mines of the Tennessee Coal, Iron & R. R. Div. of the U. S. Steel Corp. have received recognition this year for their outstanding safety performance, the second year in a row. The coal mines or their individual employees received 21 of the 30 Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association awards made to the division, and three of the coal mines also are getting awards from the National Safety Council.

The 9,500 tons of American coal arriving in Great Britain Aug 23 reportedly was the first such shipment to come into England since the winter of 1951-52. Several more shipments are due in the coming months as a part of the government's efforts to avoid a shortage of household coal this winter.

Large terminal facilities will be constructed by the Island Creek Fuel & Transportation Co. on the Ohio River 15 mi east of Ironton, Ohio, at South Point, Ohio, and Kenova, W. Va., across



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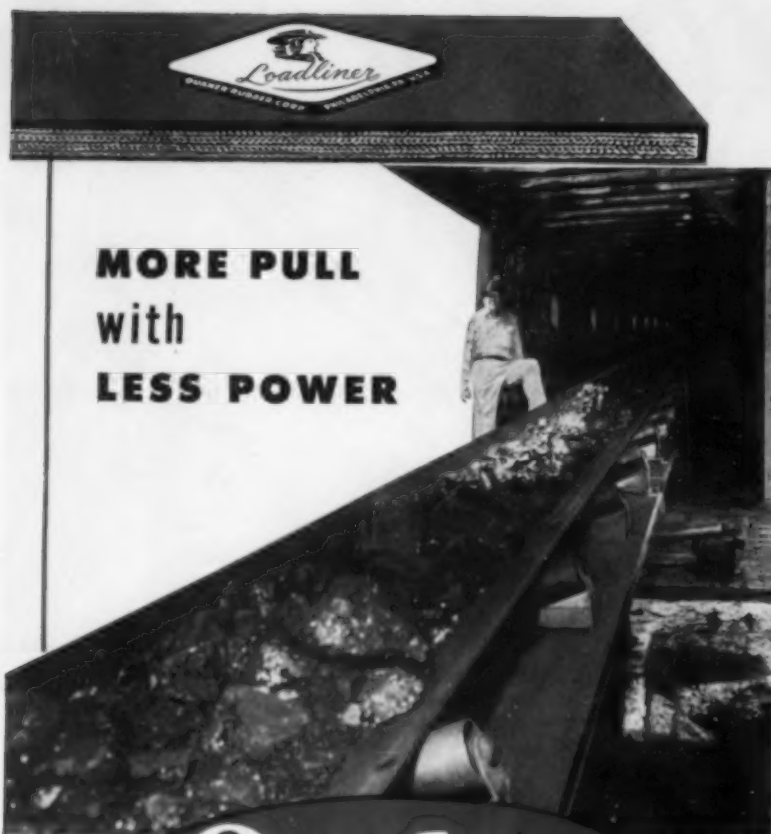
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More than 40% of Russia's coal combines and coal-cutting machines and "about half" of its loading machines were not used during the first quarter of 1954 because of poor production organization, it was reported by *Pravda*, the official Communist Party newspaper in Moscow. In another item, *Pravda* reported that the Coal Ministry met its production quota for the first half of 1954 by 101%, an output 8% more than in the same period of 1953.

Sales of coal mined in Alberta, Canada, are expected to show improvement as a result of newly enforced laws to tighten compliance with official standards of coal quality. The new law, the only one of its kind in Canada, forces Alberta producers and dealers to meet ASTM standards as approved by the provincial and federal governments and coal producers.

The first uranium mine in the eastern United States was opened in July by the Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. near Jim Thorpe (formerly Mauch Chunk), Pa. The AEC has made an agreement with LCN for all the uranium produced. While presence of deposits in the area has been known for some years and exploration by the AEC and various anthracite and other companies has previously been reported, the LCN mine is believed to be the first commercial operation in the region.

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### New Books for Coal Men

#### German Mining Methods

Horizon Mining, by C. H. Fritzsche and E. L. J. Potts. This study was prepared as a guide for British mining engineers following a period of intensive study of German methods employing horizon mining, with the thought that the system might be adapted to some British operations with steeply pitching seams. Exhaustive text and profuse illustrations. 614 pp. 7x9 $\frac{1}{2}$ -in; cloth. \$17, The Macmillan Co., 60 Fifth Ave., New York 11, N. Y.

#### New Mining-Methods Textbook

Introduction to Mining, by B. Stoces. A comprehensive account of mining methods, machines and practices, suitable for beginners and advanced students and engineers and reflecting European experience and background of the author. Two volumes: vol 1, Text, 711 pp; vol 2, Illustrations, 363 pp. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ x8 $\frac{1}{2}$ -in; cloth. \$10 (two volumes), The British Book Centre, Inc., 122 East 55th St., New York 22, N. Y.

#### Better Industrial Health

Transactions, 18th Annual Meeting, Industrial Hygiene Foundation. Included papers deal with medical, legal, medical-legal, engineering and chemical-toxicological aspects of industrial hygiene. 187 pp. 6x9-in; paper. \$3, Industrial Hygiene Foundation of America, Inc., Mellon Institute, 4400 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh 13, Pa.

### Association Activities

#### Illinois Mining Names Wilson

George M. Wilson, geologist in charge of the Educational Extension Div. of the Illinois State Geological Survey, has been appointed by the executive committee of the Illinois Mining Institute as secretary-treasurer of the organization. Mr. Wilson succeeds B. E. Schonthal, who retired in July after 25 yr of service in the post.





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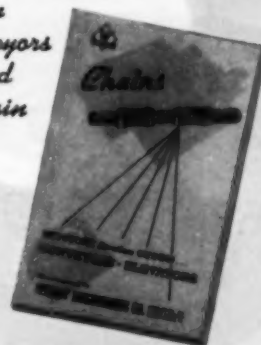
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## Among the Manufacturers

### Joy Executive Vice Pres.

Joy Mfg. Co., Pittsburgh, has elected John Lawrence executive vice president. As a part of his new post, Mr. Lawrence will give special attention to Joy's efforts toward further diversification of the company's product lines. Joining the company in July 1951 as vice president of manufacturing, he was named vice president of manufacturing and engineering in April 1953. His prior experience includes 7 yr with SKF Industries, Inc., where he served as vice president, and 10 yr with Jones & Lamson Machine Co., where he was factory manager. The company also has announced that Walter J. Pilarski has assumed additional responsibilities as manager of its Contract Core Drilling Div., following the recent death of J. B. Martin. Mr. Pilarski has been associated with the department as Mr. Martin's assistant since 1937. Frank M. Capp has been named manager of sales engineering, Core Drill Div., succeeding Mr. Martin in this position. Mr. Capp joined Joy in 1941 and has been assistant manager of sales engineering in the division since 1946. He has been succeeded by James M. Barrett.

### Ashe to Allen-Sherman-Hoff

Donald G. Ashe has joined the engineering staff of the Allen-Sherman-Hoff Pump Co., Wynnewood, Pa., effective Aug. 1. metallurgical engineering graduate of the Colorado School of Mines, Mr. Ashe formerly was associated with the Cananea Consolidated Copper Co., Sonora, Mexico. In his new position, Mr. Ashe will be concerned with the application of sand pumps to mining throughout the world.

### American Mine Door Expands

American Mine Door Co., Canton, Ohio, has announced the addition of a new department to the organization

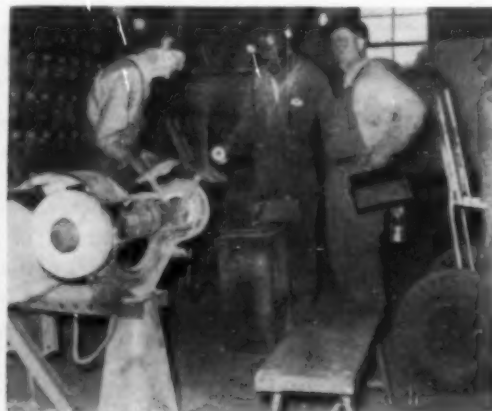
known as the research and development branch. Headed by Glenn D. Gurney, with the company for 22 yr and director of engineering, the new department will concern itself with research on new products as well as improvements on those now manufactured.

### Pangborn Celebrates 50 Year

Pangborn Corp., Hagerstown, Md., last month announced a program of events for Sept. 1-2, in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the corporation. An Open-House at the Pangborn plant to which the public is invited, marking the official anniversary date Sept. 1, will be followed by the unveiling of a tribute to Thomas W. Pangborn and his brother, John C. Pangborn, founders of the corporation, as a gift from all employees. Tuesday evening Sept. 2 will be Employees' Night, with a special program of entertainment.

### Jeffrey Shifts District Men

Several promotions in district office personnel have been announced by J. E. M. Wilson, vice president in charge of sales, The Jeffrey Mfg. Co., Columbus, Ohio. Walter J. Hulsey, a sales engineer with the Birmingham district office, has been named district manager, Conveyor Div., there. Joining him as sales engineer in that office is J. Thomas Berg, from the home office. Howard S. Davies, former Conveyor Div. district manager in the Chicago district office, has been moved to a similar post in Pittsburgh. Replacing him in Chicago is James B. Green, for a number of years assistant to the chief engineer at the Jeffrey home office. Being transferred from Pittsburgh are E. E. Balduff and Travers W. Nelson, both sales engineers, Mr. Balduff to Orlando, Fla., and Mr. Nelson as manager of the district office in Jacksonville, Fla. Vernon L. Ekblad, former sales engineer in the General Engineering Sales Div. at Colum-



### COAL MEN ON THE JOB . . .

BELL & ZOLLER COAL CO., West Kentucky Div., Madisonville, Ky.: Stanley Williams (left), mine manager, Oriole mine; Oliver Whitefield, welder, Louis Stanley, mechanic, and George Blalock, mine foreman, Moss Hill mine.

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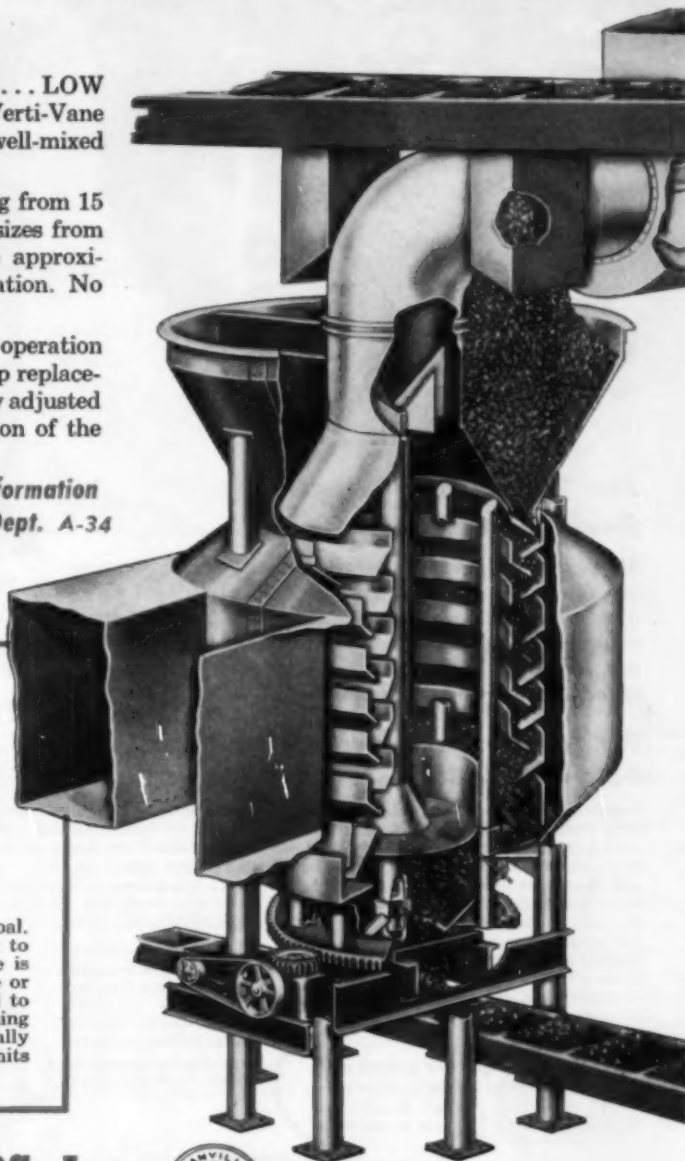
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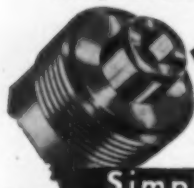
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bus, has taken a similar position in the Houston district office. Robert F. Farrell has become a sales engineer in the Columbus district office, replacing Robert D. Henning, who has moved to a similar post in the home office Products Engineering Sales Div. Robert M. Dunn has become associated with the Knoxville district office in a sales engineer capacity. George S. Kepley has been transferred from coal preparation engineering sales in the home office to the Pittsburgh district office, as has been Edward G. Braun, former sales engineer with the Buffalo district office.

## Leschen Names Sales Head

Leschen Wire Rope Div., H. K. Porter Co., Inc., has named L. Jack Clarke general sales manager. Mr. Clarke, who has served Leschen as field representative in the New Orleans area and as manager of the New York sales district, will make his headquarters at the division's main offices in St. Louis.

## Roebbling Division Heads

John A. Roebbling's Sons Corp., subsidiary of Colorado Fuel & Iron Corp., Trenton, N.J., has named Edwin F. Whitehill Cleveland district manager for the Wire and Cold Rolled Products Div. Joining Roebbling as a woven-wire fabrics sales representative, Mr. Whitehill transferred to the firm's wire mills at Roebbling, N. J., serving 12 yr in various capacities. Robert J. Cole has been named Pacific Coast manager of the firm's Construction Materials Div. Mr. Cole, recently on leave from Roebbling to serve as president of the Pointer-Willamette Co., Edmonds, Wash., has been associated with the Roebbling organization since 1923 and at one time was manufacturing manager of the Wire Rope Div.

## G-E Promotes Helm

General Electric Co. has named James D. Helm sales manager for mobile communication equipment and special accounts, with headquarters at Electronics Park, Syracuse, N. Y. He will direct the national sales of G-E two-way radio equipment. Joining G-E in 1943, he was appointed a sales engineer in 1945, sales manager for special industrial accounts in 1951, and recently sales manager of special accounts.

## Mahon Expands Facilities

The R. C. Mahon Co., Detroit, has just completed another expansion program to meet the space requirements of some of its rapidly growing divisions. With the latest addition of some 130,000 sq ft of factory space and 20,000 sq ft of office space, the company now has 1,300,000 sq ft of production area and 132,000 sq ft of offices, all constructed since 1942. The company also maintains a sales-engineering office in Chicago and has sales representatives in 95 cities throughout the country.

## Gorman-Rupp Names Salesmen

In line with its program of expansion and close factory-dealer representation, Gorman-Rupp Co., Mansfield, Ohio, has named Ted C. Bauck district representa-



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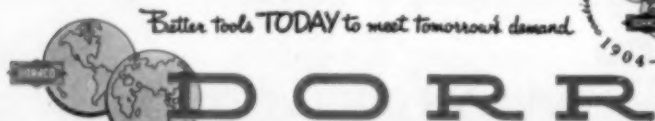
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## COAL MEN ON THE JOB . . .

**PREPARATION EXPERTS:** I. C. Trogdon (left), superintendent of No. 1 cleaning plant, Amherst Coal Co., Amherstdale, W. Va.; and C. G. Martin, preparation foreman, Lorado Coal Mining Co., Lorado, W. Va.

tive, covering a five state midwest area. Prior to joining the company 3 yr ago as a sales engineer and manager of industrial sales, Mr. Bauck was associated with Goulds Pump, Inc., and Marlow Pumps, Div. of Bell & Gossett. Donald L. Sanders has been named district representative for Ohio, West Virginia, Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York and parts of Kentucky. Mr. Sanders formerly was with Clayton Mfg. as district manager of a four state area. Richard M. Fraser has been named district representative for northeastern United States.

## Le Roi Appoints Sales Head

Le Roi Co., Milwaukee, Wis., has appointed James R. Harwood sales manager of the Transo Div. Mr. Harwood was district representative for Le Roi Construction & Mining Div. in Ohio, Michigan and western Pennsylvania until late last year when he joined the Transo Div. as a sales engineer.

## Femco Sales Engineer

Femco, Inc., Irwin, Pa., has appointed Jack Helton sales engineer in West Virginia and the Carolinas, with headquarters in Bluefield, Va. Mr. Helton joined Femco in 1950.

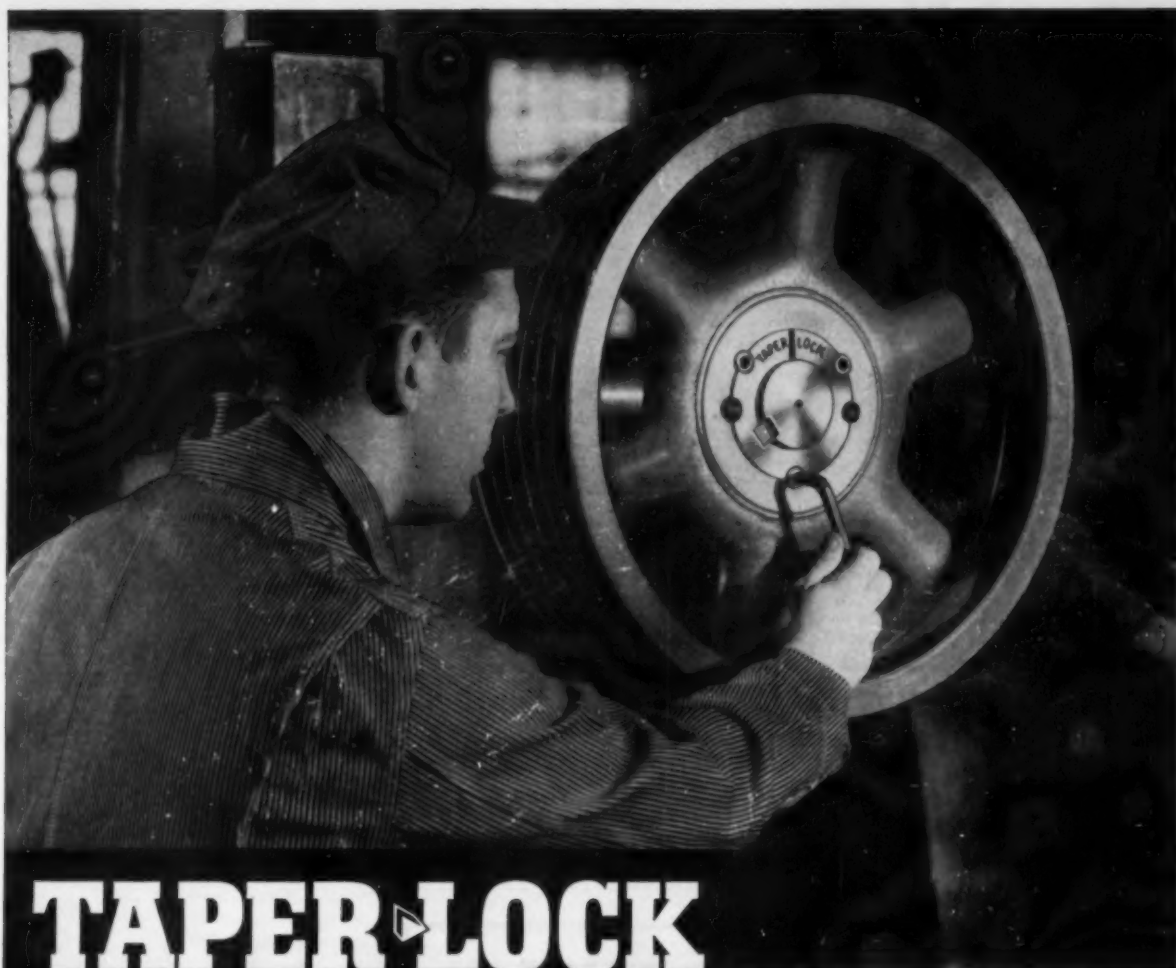
## Firth Sterling Moves Three

Carbide Div. of Firth Sterling, Inc., Pittsburgh, has promoted M. L. Backstrom, formerly chief engineer, to assistant sales manager. W. E. Montgomery, with the company for 20 yr, has been named to succeed Mr. Backstrom. John Gabrenas, with Firth Sterling since 1948, has been named assistant chief engineer.

## Gardner-Denver Promotes

Gardner-Denver Co., Quincy, Ill., has named George W. Gutekunst, formerly district manager of Los Angeles, general sales manager, succeeding G. V. Leece, recently elected president. Mr. Gute-





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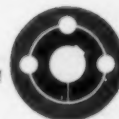
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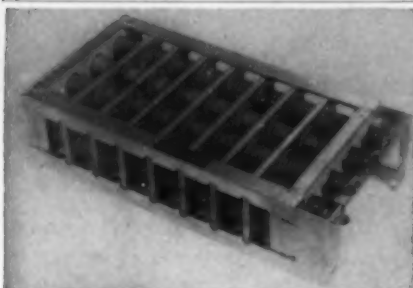
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kunst joined the company's sales force in 1937 and was transferred to Los Angeles in 1947. Charles M. George, with the company for 25 yr, has been appointed assistant to the president. In 1943, he was made assistant sales manager of industrial sales, was promoted to sales manager of that division in 1948 and since 1950 has been sales administrator. J. W. Gardner, recently elected to the board of directors, has been appointed administrative assistant. Joining Gardner-Denver in 1947 with the Los Angeles sales force, he has served in various capacities in the engineering department for the past 2 yr. B. P. Spann, with Gardner-Denver for 20 yr, and director of personnel for the past 8 yr, has been elected a vice president.

### B-L-H Names District Manager

Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., Construction Equipment Div., Lima, Ohio, has appointed John G. Watson district manager, with a territory including the Calumet district in Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas and lower Michigan. Mr. Watson joined the Lima organization in 1942 as a salesman in New York City. After service in World War II, he became sales manager, Trailer Div., Pressed Steel Car Co., Inc., Chicago, and has been sales engineer for Lima for the past year.

### American Hoist Sales Head

American Hoist & Derrick Co., St. Paul, Minn., has appointed Ray J. Derve general sales manager. Joining American Hoist in 1945, Mr. Derve was promoted to district manager in 1948, in charge of the Pittsburgh office and territory. He succeeds John Carroll, now president of the firm.

### Gar Wood Revamps Sales

Gar Wood Industries, Wayne, Mich., has announced a broad sales organization program centralizing the sales and marketing functions of all divisions of the corporation and of the National Lift Co., a subsidiary. E. B. Hill, vice president, has been appointed director of sales, advertising and export for all corporation products. Division sales managers, who formerly headquartered at plants, now report directly to Mr. Hill. The reorganization of the company's sales activities follows the completion of a new product development and improvement program and will make it possible to render better service to customers, the company reports.

### Gustin-Bacon Appoints Two

Gustin-Bacon Mfg. Co., Kansas City, Mo., has appointed two new district managers: C. Weston Goode, southeastern United States; and H. J. Smith, Kansas City sales division. Mr. Goode, Atlanta sales representative for Gustin-Bacon since 1944, is in charge of the newly opened district office at 2025 Peachtree Rd., N. E. Atlanta. Mr. Smith, with the company since 1949 as representative in Louisville and St. Louis, will direct sales in Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas Panhandle, southern Illinois, western Tennessee and northern Mississippi.

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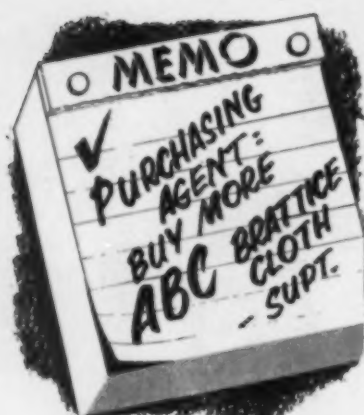
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The Colorado Fuel & Iron Corp. has appointed John W. McAllister, administrative assistant to the president. Associated with CF&I for over 30 yr, Mr. McAllister was first employed in 1923 as a machinist helper in the company's coal mines and for the past several years has been executive secretary to the president.

Westinghouse Electric Corp. has announced that a new multi-million-dollar sound laboratory and test center for the world's most powerful transformers will be built at the Westinghouse Transformer Div. plant, Sharon, Pa., ready for operation by early next year. Erected in a 200-ft-long extension of four existing assembly aisles at the Sharon plant, the test center will examine power transformers with a series of searching electrical tests before they are shipped to the customer. The sound laboratory, a building erected inside the over-all test building to test transformers up to 400 tons and rated at more than 500,000 kv-amp, will be constructed so that it will be virtually impossible for sound to enter or to leave the laboratory.

Clark Equipment Co., Benton Harbor, Mich., has appointed the following dealers for the Michigan line of products of its Construction Machinery Div.: Stith Equipment Co., Atlanta, Ga.; Berry Equipment Co., Memphis, Tenn.; Industrial & Contractors Equipment Corp., Cleveland, Ohio; Bode-Finn Co.,

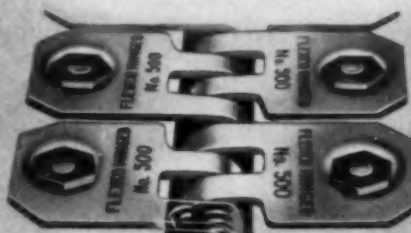
Cincinnati, Ohio; Deeds Equipment Co., Rochester, Ind.; Bardale Equipment, Inc., Kirkwood, Mo.; Bert Smith Road Machinery Co., Enid, Okla.; and Construction Equipment Co., Ltd., Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

The American Chain & Cable Co. has opened a warehouse and office at 2210 N. W. Roosevelt St., Portland, Ore. The third warehouse opened by the company on the West Coast this year, the 8,000-sq-ft Portland operation, serving Oregon, Washington and part of Idaho, will carry a complete stock of wire rope and wire rope slings, with I. L. Schobert in charge of wire rope sales. While no other products will be stocked at the Portland warehouse at the present time, orders of the company's American Chain Div., Manley Div., and Pennsylvania Lawn Mower Div. will be handled from this location. Robert L. Kleeb is in charge of sales for these divisions.

Acme-Hamilton Mfg. Corp., Trenton 3, N. J., has appointed William E. Wade technical director of the company, succeeding Norman J. Cyphers. Mr. Wade previously served for 19 yr in the Mechanical Goods Div. of U. S. Rubber Co. as a development engineer at its Passaic plant.

The Gifford-Wood Co., Hudson, N. Y., has appointed Henry J. Gagen western district manager, with headquarters in Chicago. Mr. Gagen has been in New York as sales engineer for the past 6 yr.

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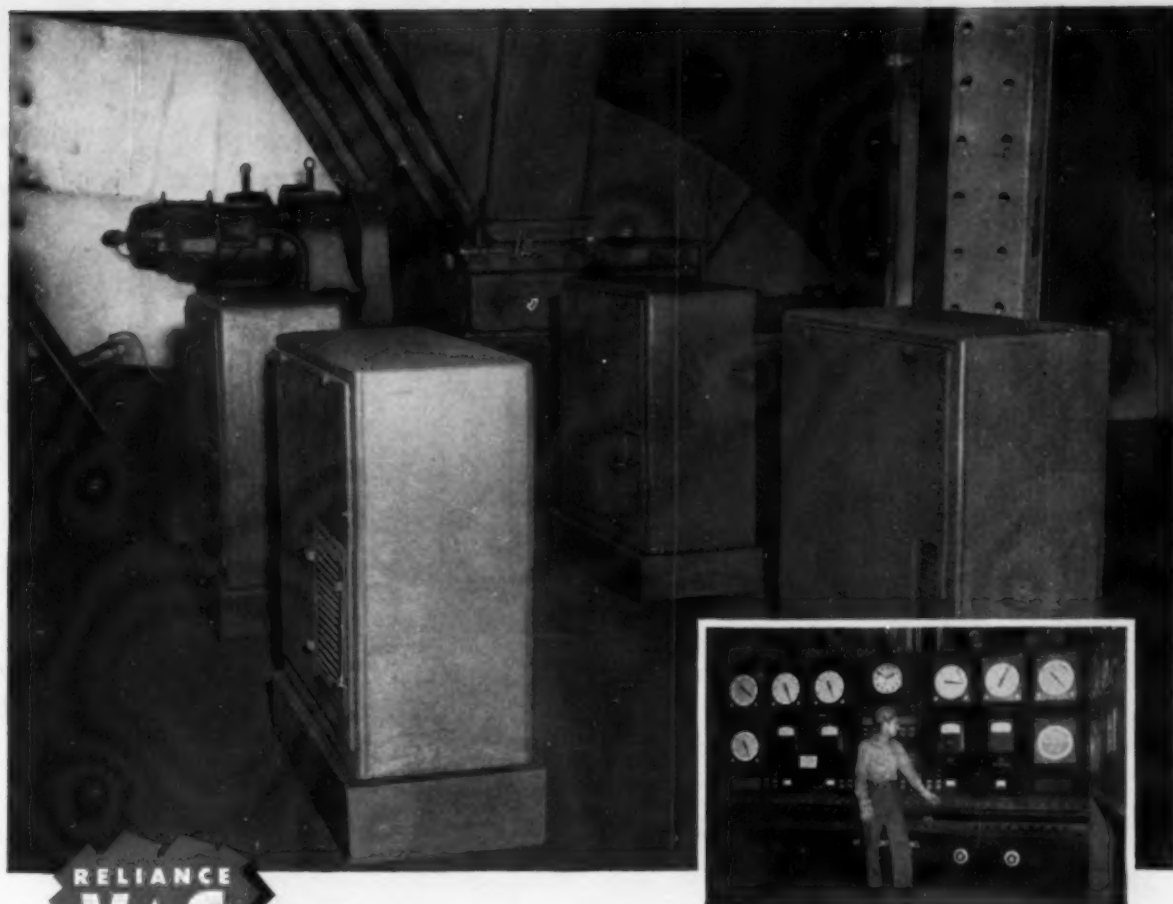


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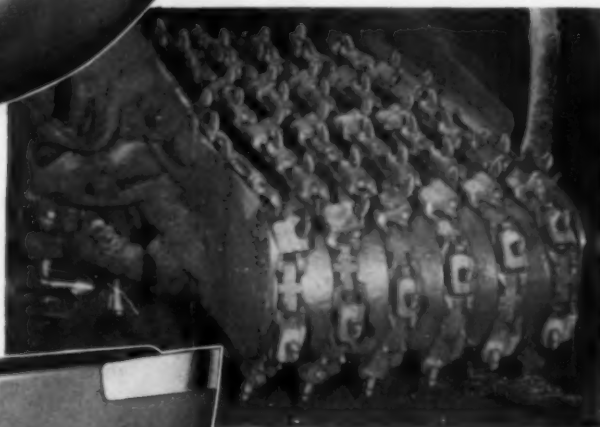
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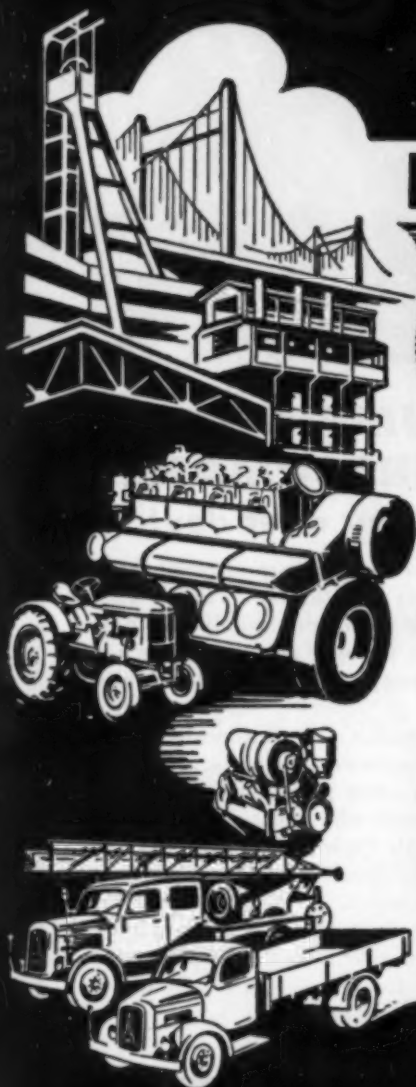
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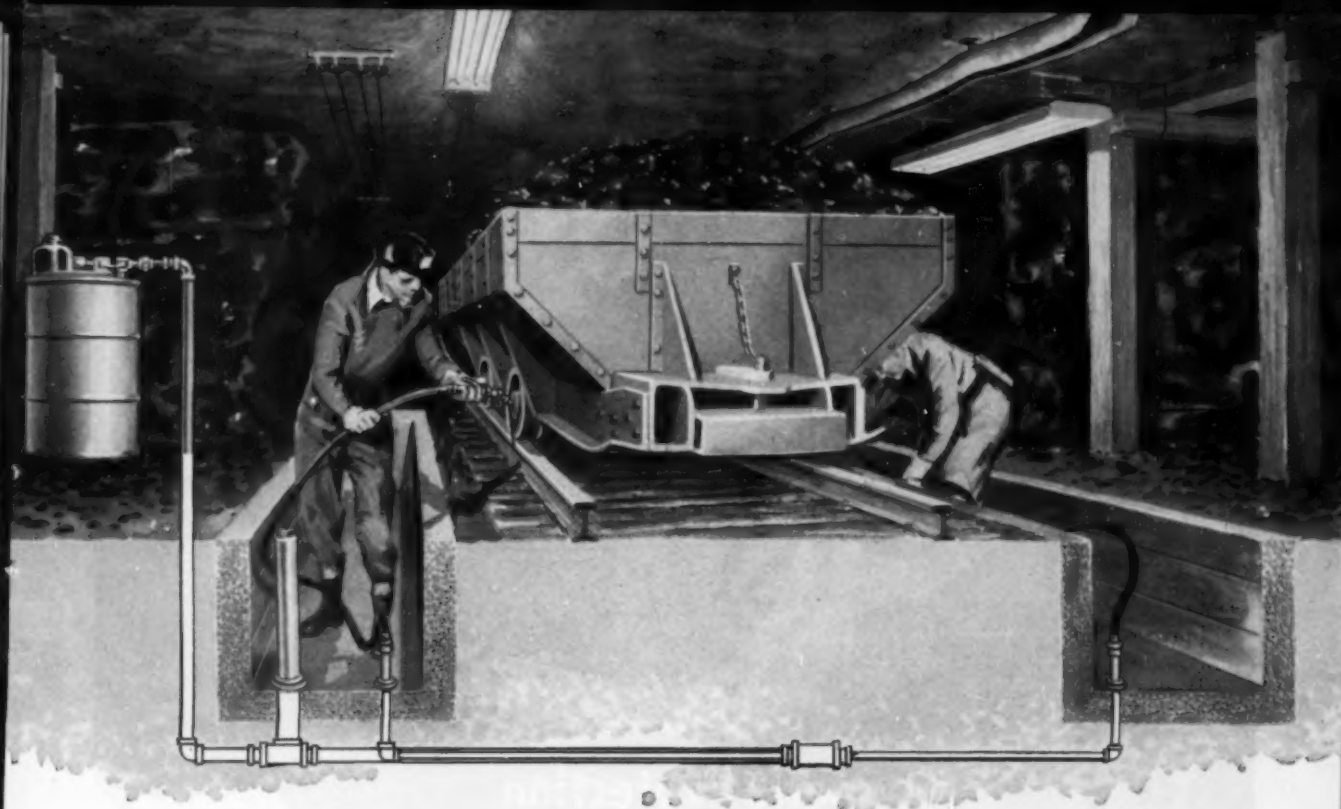
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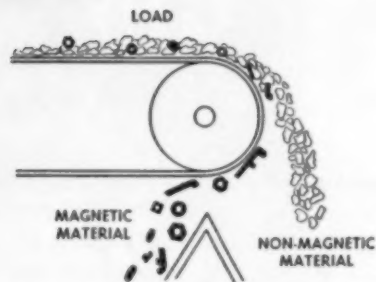


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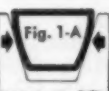
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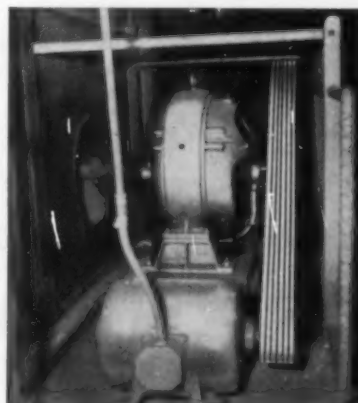
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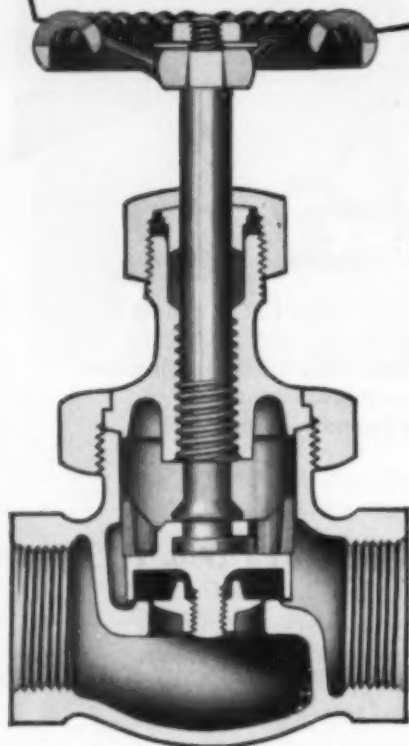


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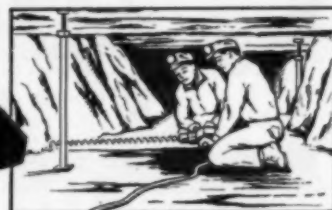
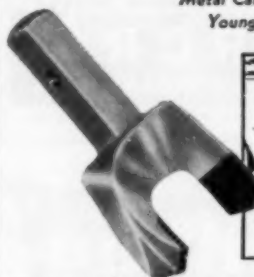
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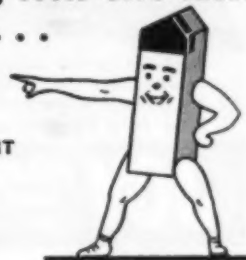
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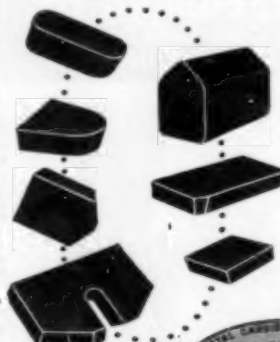


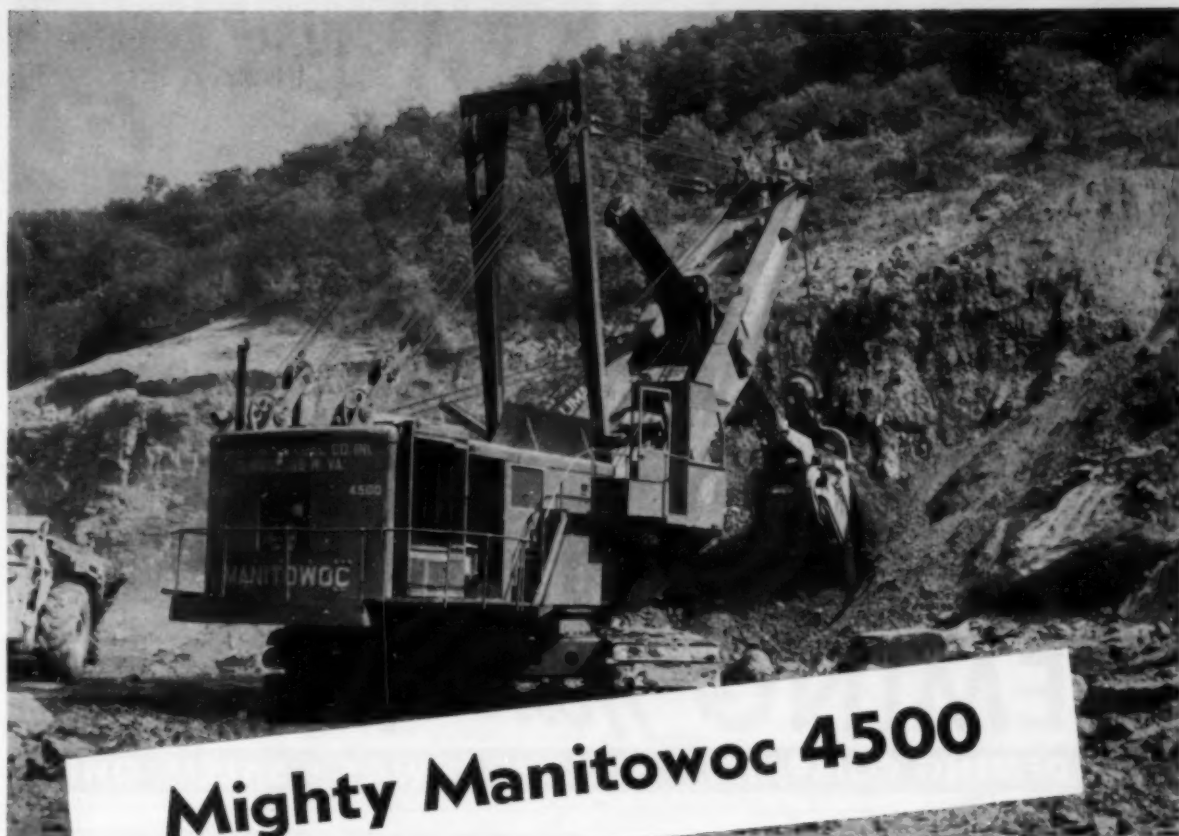
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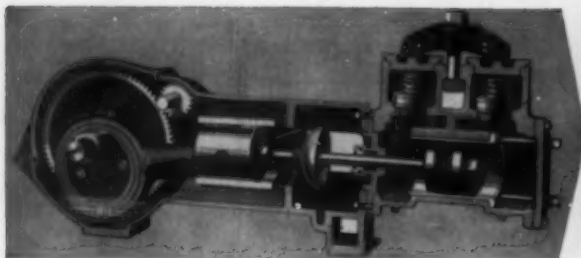
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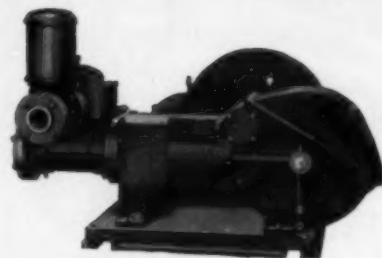






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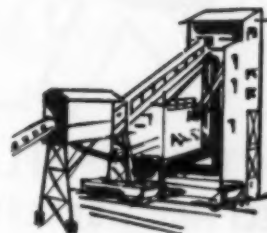
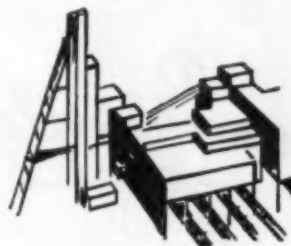
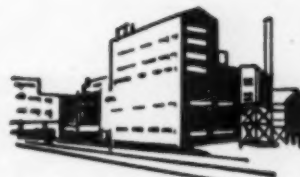
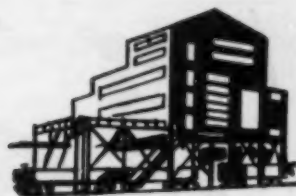
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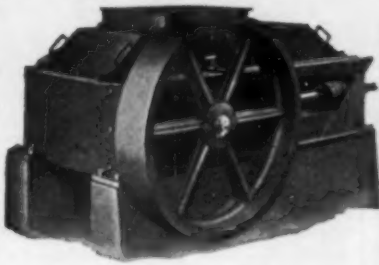
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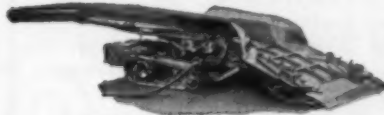
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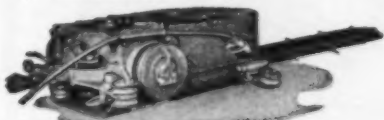
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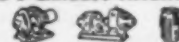
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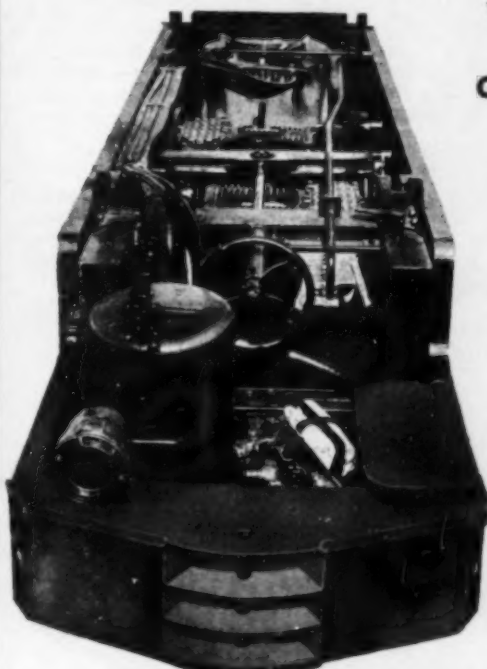
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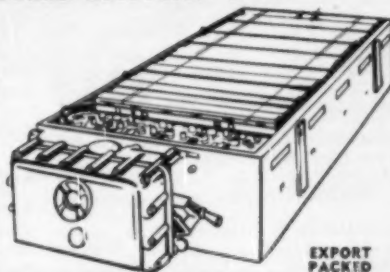
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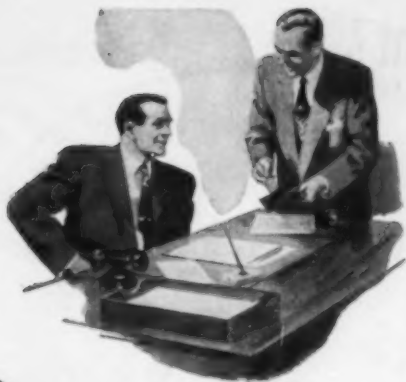
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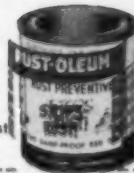
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6

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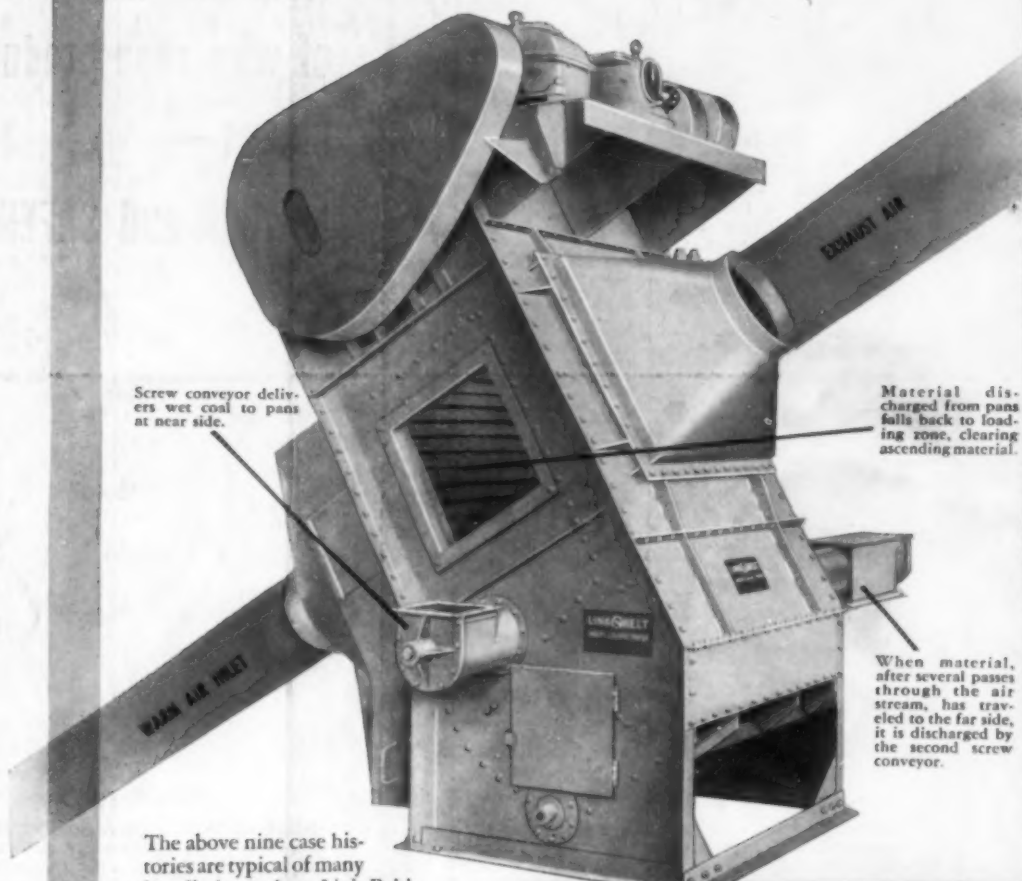
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